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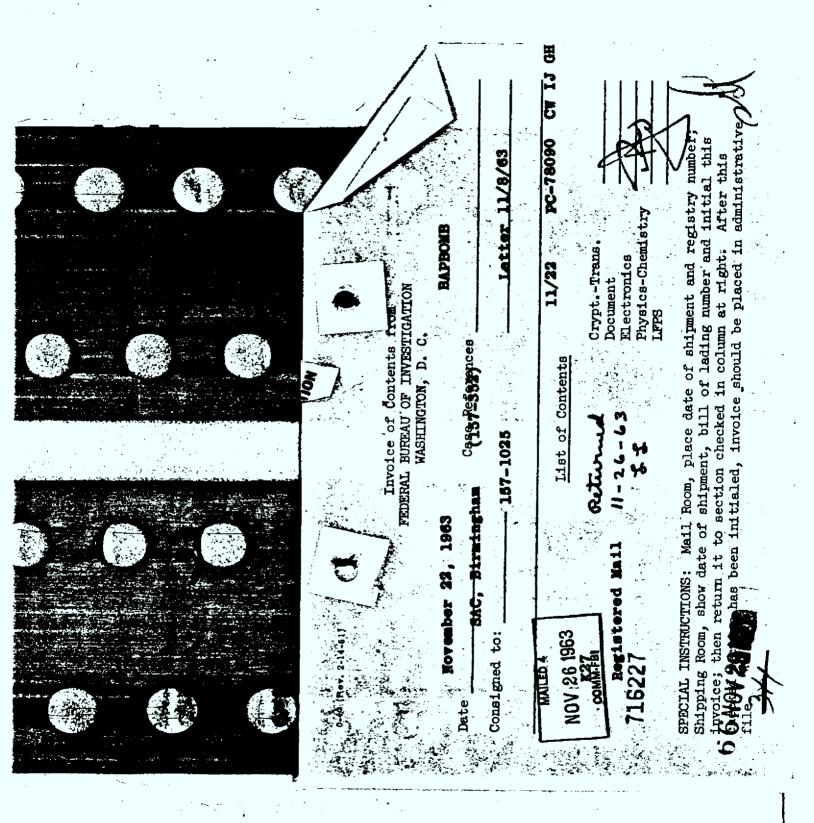
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SEVERAL MEMBERS OF TUSCALOOSA KLAVERN NUMBER FIVE, UKA, KKKK, AND MEMBERS OF BERRY KLAVERN OF THE UKA, INC., KKKK, INTERVIEWED THIS DATE. NO INFORMATION DEVELOOED CONCERNING BAPBOMB BUT MUCH INTELLIGEN INFORMATION DEVELOOED AS TO PAST ACTIVITIES OF THESE TWO KLAVERNS.

MOST PERSONS INTERVIEWED, WHILE REFUSING TO BE INTERVIEWED, ANSWERED QUESTIONS AND SUBMITTED TO BEING PHOTOGRAPHED. IN FACT, IN NO INSTANCE WAS THERE A REFUSAL.

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This report includes material on stencil which had been run off as of 11/14/63 and does not intend to reflect all investigation conducted prior to 11/14/63.

Any reference herein to Klan, KKK, Ku Klux Klan, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, or any similar designation shall be construed as referring to United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, unless otherwise qualified.

No index is being supplied at this time but will be furnished at a later date.

Numerous negative informant contacts from auxiliary offices have been received and are included in the Birmingham file but are not being set out in the report.

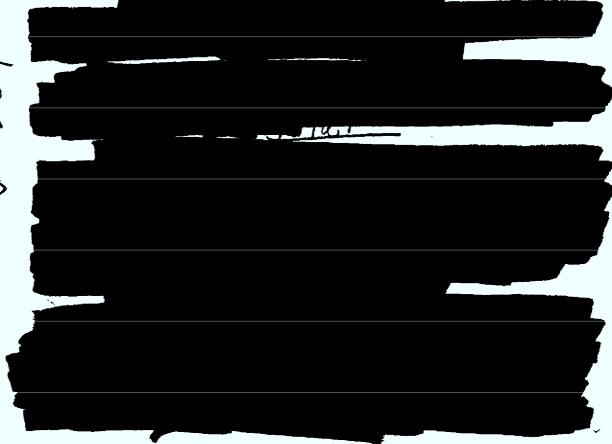
Investigation regarding the shrapnel bombing of 9/25/63 in Birmingham, relative to the clutch hub assembly piece which was found in the crime scene search, and other investigation is being incorporated in this report because all suspects are being interviewed regarding all Birmingham bombings and the inclusion of the specific material relative to the shrapnel bombing furnishes an over-all picture of investigation and eliminates duplication of reporting. It should be noted that copies of any investigation which are pertinent to a specific bombing are being channelized to those specific files.

Only the original and four copies of the FD-302 setting out the statement of submitted as an enclosure to this report and marked obscene, are prepared as Birmingham is in possession of signed statement which can be more easily stored, and there is no reason for having copies attached for the Birmingham file.

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· POLYGRAPH MATTERS

All polygraph examinations described below were given Bureau approval by Assistant Director ROSEN in telephone conversations with SAC ROY K. MOORE. They were conducted by SA. In addition to interviews reported, authority was also granted to interview klansmen and but they declined to be interviewed with the aid of a polygraph.



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UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF

SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH,

BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, SEPTEMBER 15, 1963

Character:

BOMBING MATTERS

Synopels:

Piece of shrapnel from 9/25/63 bombing, Birmingham, identified as portion of clutch hub assembly for 1940-42 Hudson automobile. Neighberhood investigation revealed one additional witness who believed she saw a light-blue station wagon pass by church moments before explosion. Main suspects and individuals close to them interviewed with additional personal information developed. Some evidence developed on main suspects of local criminal violations. Several alibis verified. Numerous present and former klansmen in Alabama interviewed. Background developed, but no positive information re captioned hombing.

All projects being afforded continuous attention. INVESTIGATION REFLECTS MANY MEMBERS OF KLAN AND SEGREGATION-TYPE GROUPS CARRY SOME TYPE OF WEAPON, ALL SUCH INDIVIDUALS ARE, THEREFORE, TO BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

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INVESTIGATION RE SHRAPNEL BOMBING September 25, 1963 1

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Search for Part of Hudson Automobile Clutch Hub Assembly

On September 25, 1963, during the crime scene search following the explosion of two bombs at a junction of Center Street, 16th Street and 7th Avenue South, the largest metal fragments recovered were two fragments that appeared to be portions of a clutch plate. They were tentatively identified by local automobile parts dealers as parts of a clutch hub assembly from an old Hudson. These parts were sent to Detroit and thence to Milwaukee where they were identified as parts of a clutch hub assembly of a 1940, 1941, or 1942 Hudson. Details are set forth in interview of

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On October 25, 1963. SALE and with the consent of searched his garage, a number of old cars and panel trucks, and the grounds where dismantles old or wrecked cars. A junk pile containing tons of junked auto parts was moved piece-by-piece. Numerous clutch plates were found but none similar to these Hudson parts which were being sought.

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On October 24 and 25, 1963, SA's and searched through several bar tunked

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One Hudson clutch plate for a 1952 hudson was pointed out by the entire clutch hub assembly for this model was interchangeable with the 1940 to 1942 hub assemblies, but component parts are quite different, but the parts which were being sought were not

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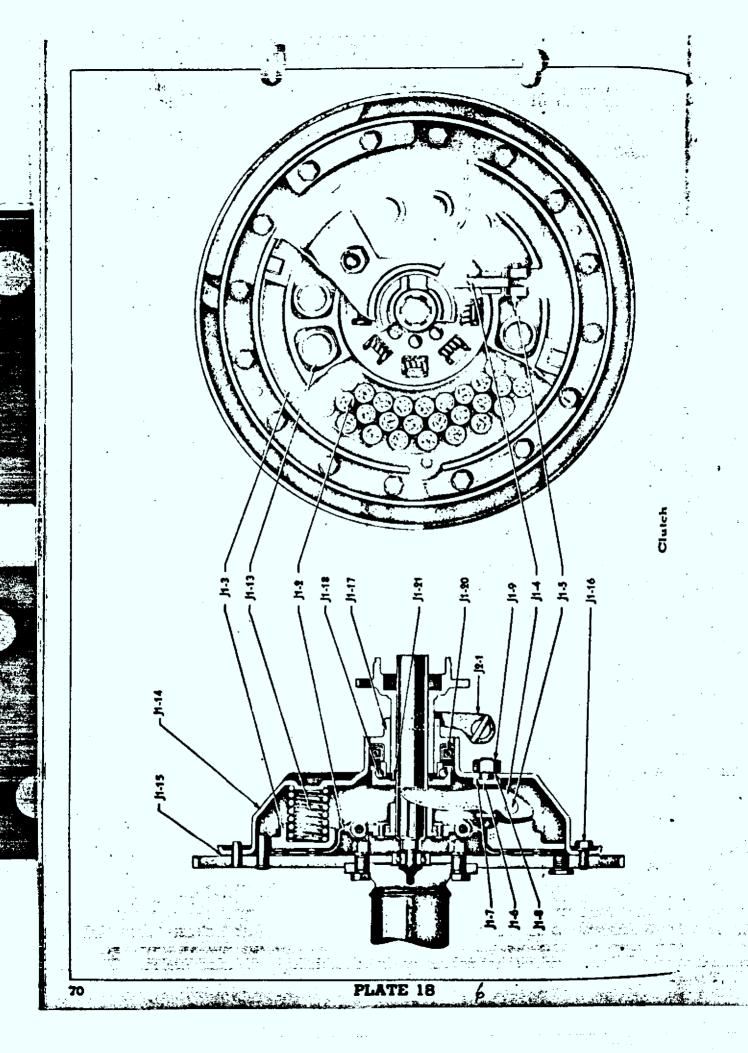
the same as the one recovered at the crime scene. advised that the last Hudson clutch he had sold was to in June, 1963.

on October 30, 1963, SA with the consent of owner searched through a junk pile of transmission parts on a lot behind but found no parts of a stanuard shill clutch.

SA also on October 30, 1963, searched through a large junk yard and used auto parts place owned by

but found no parts similar to the Hudson clutch.

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Date _____11/2/63

ROBERT E. CHAMBLISS, 2505 - 32nd Avenue North, Birmingham, Alabama, a suspect in the Birmingham, Alabama, bombings, were taken while the car was parked at 3rd Avenue North and 20th Street, Birmingham, Alabama. While the pictures were being taken CHAMBLISS approached and objected to his car being photographed. CHAMBLISS picture was also taken while he was on the street and also after he entered the car.

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Birmingham, Alabama, along with and
during the local trial of ROBERT CHAMBLISS,
CHARLES ARNIE CAGLE, and JOHN HALL for handling of
dynamite. These individuals are prime suspects in
investigation of the bombing of the Sixteenth Street
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DATE:

11/19/63

SAC, KNOXVILLE (157-189) (P)

SUBJECT:

BAPBOM

Re Bureau airtel to Birmingham and Knoxville 10/25/63.

In addition to names of members of Dixie Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan previously submitted, it is suggested that the fingerprints of

print found in connection with the attempted bombing of Jewish Temple Beth-El in Birmingham, Alabama, 4/28/58

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LATENT CASE NO. 45563

December 4, 1963

TO: SAC, Knoxville

RE: BAPBOMB

REFERENCE: Letter 11-19-63
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: KNOXVILLE
SPECIMENS:

The latent fingerprints in the case "Unknown Subjects; Attempted Bombing of Jewish Synagogue Temple Beth-El, Birmingham, Ala, 4-28-88 & are not identical with the fingerprints of

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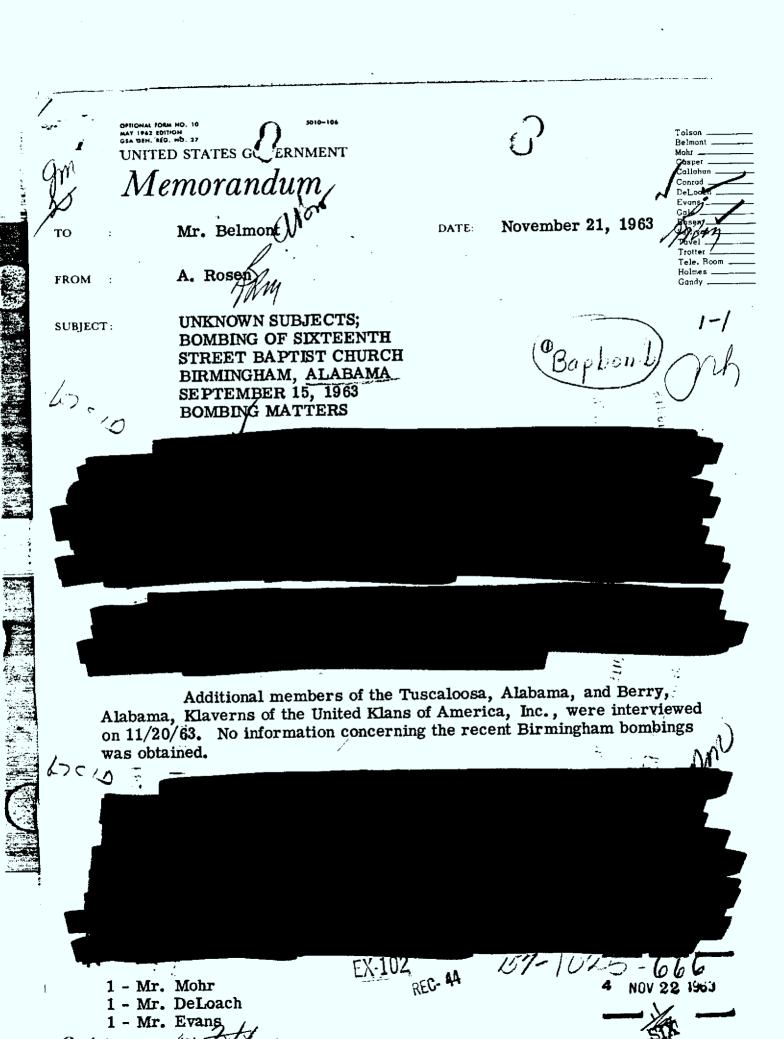
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SAC, Birmingham

RE:

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REFERENCE: EXAMINATION ACCEPTED 11-12-63 Birmingham

SPECIMENS: Fingerprints of

Latent fingerprints previously reported of value in case entitled "Unsub.; Attempted Bombing of Temple Beth-El Jewish Synagogue, 21st Way and Highland Avenue Birmingham, Ala., 4-28-58," Bufile 100-135-4, LC #15226, not identical with fingerprints of

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: Mr. Belmont

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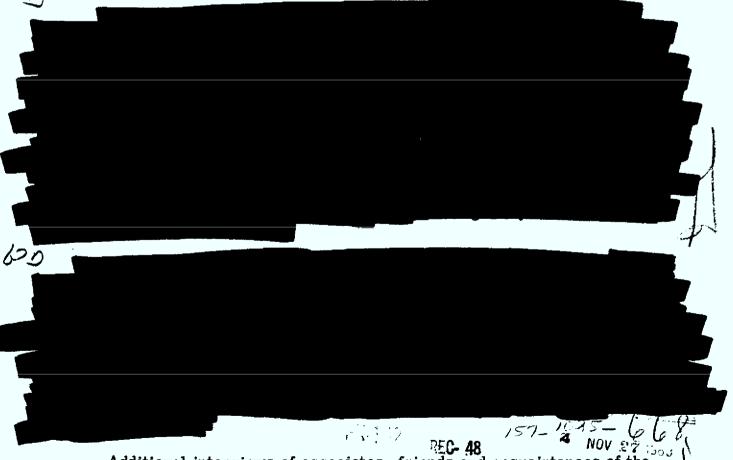
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BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

SEPTEMBER 15, 1963

BOMBING MATTERS

On November 22, 1963, all suspects in the Birmingham bombing were located and contacted but none furnished any additional information of significance.



Additional interviews of associates, friends and acquaintances of the suspects in this case were also conducted on 11/22/63 but no new evidence indicating their involvement in the Birmingham bombing was obtained.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAC BIRMINGHAM /157-352/ 2P

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ADDITIONAL INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED TODAY WITH PAST AND PRESENT MEMBERS TUSCALOOSA KLAVERN NUMBER FIVE ANDNOW DEFUNCT BERRY KLAVERN OF THE UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC., TO NO AVAIL. ADDITIONAL NAMES SELECTED FROM INFORMANT REPORTS OF PERSONS HAVING ATTENDED EASTVIEW KLAVERN NUMBER THIRTEEN MEETINGS DURING PAST YEAR. TWO OF THOSE INTERVIEWED TODAY.

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ADDITIONAL FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS AND ACQUAINTANCES

OF PRINCIPAL SUSPECTS INTERVIEWED TO NO AVAIL.

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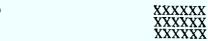
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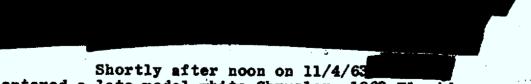
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RACIAL MATTARS (JK file 157-28)

Re Bureau tel 11/1/63 and Jacksonville tels 11/4 and 6/63.



Shortly after noon on 11/4/63 entered a late model white Chrysler, 1963 Florida which was occupied by an unknown individual.

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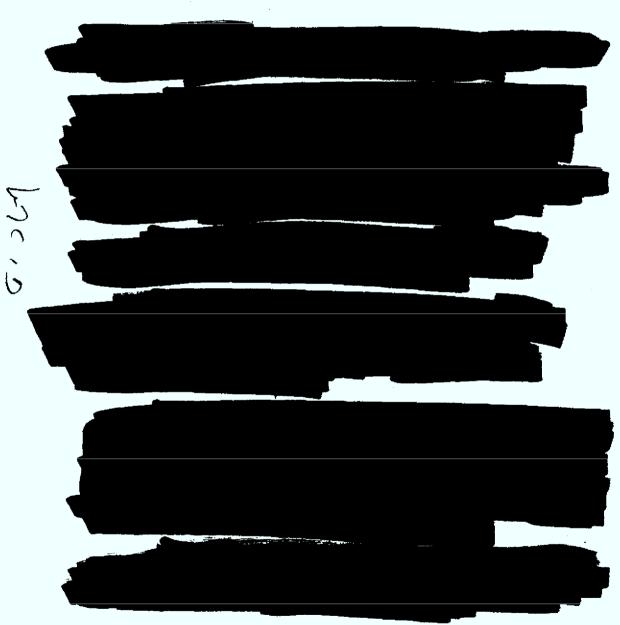
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It is noted that the Florida Times Union Newspaper, Jacksonville, Florida, dated 11/6/63, revealed that four Jacksonville Ku Klux Klansmen were cleared of assault and battery charges on 11/5/63 in St. Augustine in connection with the beating of four Negroes, who ventured into the vicinity of a

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Klan rally. According to the article, one klansman was found innocent and cases against the other three klansmen were dismissed since the victims were unable to identify the klansmen as their assailants. This news clipping has been forwarded to the Bureau separately.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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2. Will continue contacts with informants, sources and law enforcement agencies for identities of possible suspects.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Information contained in the details of this report setting forth results of investigation conducted in the New Orleans Division has previously been furnished to Birmingham by referenced New Orleans airtel to Birmingham.

To date no pertinent information regarding possible suspects has been received from informants, sources or law enforcement agencies. Identities of individuals contacted are not being set forth but are being retained in the New Orleans file in this matter.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Report of:

Field Office File No.s

NEW ORLEANS

Date:

11/15/63

157-1294

Bureau File No.: 157-1025

Title:

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;

Bombing of 16th Street Baptist Church

Birmingham, Alabama September 15, 1963

Character:

BOMBING MATTERS

Synopsis:

67010

Three other Negro boys mentioned as having gone to Birmingham located and denied ever having been to Birmingham. Investigation in area of pay telephone from where call placed in Baton Rouge unproductive.

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DETAILS:

AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

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On October 22, 1963 Birmingham Division, telephonically contacted the New Orleans Office and advised SAC H. G. MAYNOR of the following information:

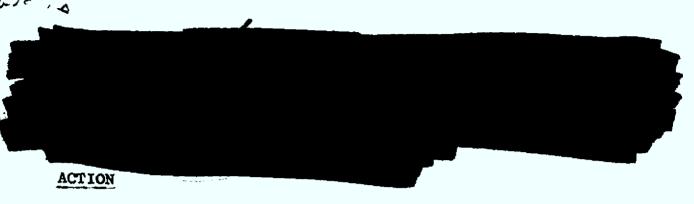


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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF
SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

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You will be kept advised of developments.

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UNITED STATES GC ERNMENT DIRECTOR, FBI (157-1025)

ATTENTION: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION DATE: LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION C, BIRMINGHAM (157-352)(P) BAPBOMB SUBJECT: The Latent Fingerprint Section is requested to compare fingerprints of with latents from attempted bombing of Temple Beth-Li, Birmingham, Alabama, 1958. ③- Bureau - Birmingham (1 - 157-493)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537

REPORT

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LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

Identification Division

YOUR FILE NO. FBI FILE NO. LATENT CASE NO.

157-352 157-1025 — 678 Hovember 27, 1963

TO: REC. Birningham

RE: BAPGOMB:

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REFERENCE: Latter 11/13/63
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Birningham
SPECIMENS:

The latent fingerprints in the case entitled "Unknown Subject; Attempted Bombing of Temple Beth-El Jewish Synagogue, 21st Way and Highland Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama, 4/23/53," are not identical with the fingerprints of

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Reference No: FBI File No:

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Received: 11-22-63/dab

Latent Case No:

Answer to: SAC, BIRMINGHAM

Examination requested by: Addressee

Copy to:

RE: BAPBOMB

Date of reference communication: 11-19-63 letter.

Specimens:

Named suspect:

Result of examination:

Examination by:

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Fields Sues

A suit seeking \$1 million from to stir up trouble and friction!"
the Birmingham News and from Cited as basis for the damsyndicated columnist David ages in court two, was the fol-Lawrence for libel was filed in lowing quotation from the news-Circuit Court here yesterday by paper article:

Edward R. Fields, head of the
National States Rights Party.

Just indicted some of the mem-

\$500,000 damages for each of - for alleged conspiracy to intwo counts which are based on terfere with a court order and

tends, in effect charged the public schools.

plaintiff "with the crime of being a party with an international and charged with shooting a 13revolutionary Communist con-year-old Negro boy a few hours spiracy which is committed to after a Negro church was overthrow by force and violence bombed on Sept. 15 in Birmingthe government of the United ham—had just attended an im-States and several states, in passioned rally held by the cluding Alabama. States rights group."

It further alleges that the article charged or intimated Fields "was a member of the Communist Party" whose objective and purpose is to "overthrow the Federal or state government by force and violence, and that he "knowlingly participated in the revolutionary activities of the Communist party knowing the revolutionary object or purposes thereof."
The suit seeks both punitive

and compensatory damages on each of the counts and asks for a jury trial.

Fields' address was listed as 1507 Mims-av.

Count one of the suit cited the following passage from the article, as having been published with "intent to defame" the plaintiff:

"FROM WHERE? Where does the money come from to finance such a mischief-making organization? The time would seem to be ripe for the House Committee on Un-American Activities to subpena records and ascertain whether any foreign funds have been coming to the Birmingham group."

"Again-and again, in different parts of the world—especially in Latin America—groups that seem to be still espousing the Hitler-Nazi doctrines are found to have close links with Communist agents. What more natural way for the Communists

The action, filed in Field's be-bers of this so-called states' half by Atty. Matt Murphy, seeks rights group — all of them white a Lawrence column which ap some for allegedly obstructing peared in the News Sept. 25 by violence, the process of law The statements, the suit con-enforcement in desegregating

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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BIRMINGHAM, ALABAM

11/20/63 Date:

FINAL Edition:

Author:

Editor: JAMES E. MILLS

Title:

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Character: BM

Classification:

Submitting Office:

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157-1025-679 ENCLOSURE

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The polygraph chart, listed questions and polygraph consent form signed by the large being retained in the Birmingham file.

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The subject is being considered as a possible suspect in the recent dynamiting occurring on property of the Florida East Coast Railroad and photographs of the subject have been furnished to Agents conducting investigation in that case.

There are no unsolved bombings involving racial matters in the Jacksonville Division and the photographs obtained from the subject's camera at the time of arrest could not be identified with the dynamiting of the FECRR property.

With reference to the Florida Vehicle Registration (1959) for a

following information was developed by the Jacksonville Office and furnished to the Miami Office by Jacksonville airtel dated 9/12/63.

THE SUBJECT IS A FOTENTIAL BOMBING SUSPECT OF THE MIAMI OFFICE AND SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

Memorandum

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Mr. Belmont

DATE: December 3, 1963

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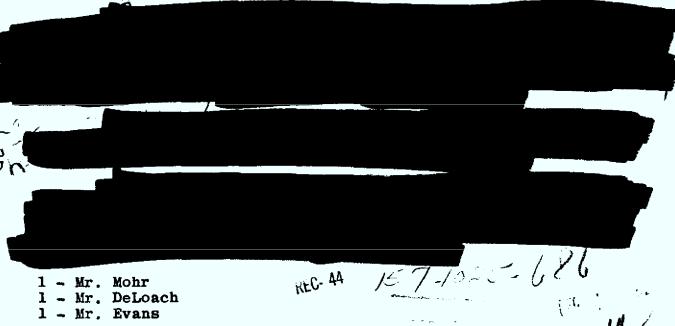
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UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA SEPTEMBER 15, 1963 BOMBING MATTERS Cart for you

Holmes _ Gandy __

Assistant United States Attorney R. Macey Taylor,
Birmingham, has had the charges brought against Special Agents
and by the members of the National
States Rights Party (NSRP) removed to Federal Court from City
Recorder's Court.

The charges brought by Edward R. Fields, leader of the NSRP, charge our Agents with trespass and disorderly conduct growing out of their interview of NSRP members at the headquarters of the NSRP.



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PERE RECOUNT

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

RE: BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET

BAPTIST CHURCH

Contact with informants and sources on 12/2/63 has revealed miscellaneous information concerning the principal suspects in the bombing cases but no additional pertinent information was furnished.

ACTION:

You will be kept advised of developments.

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Mr. Tolson. FEDERAL SUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMAUNICATIONS SECTION Mr. Belment. Mr. Mohr ... Mr. Casper ... Mr. Callahan. Mr. Conrad. Mr. Del TELETYPE Mr. Li Mr. I Mr. S Mr. Tavel. Mr. Trotter. Tele. Room. Miss Holmes. URGENT 12-3-63 8-44 PM CST GDM Miss Gardy. DAREC TOR TO Copies made by CT IN Teview by Rowe Task Force Date 1.11, 1.9 FROM SAC, BIRMINGHAM /157-352/ 3P DBAPBOMB. DAILY SUMMARY. THE IL RAL PAB DEC 4 1963

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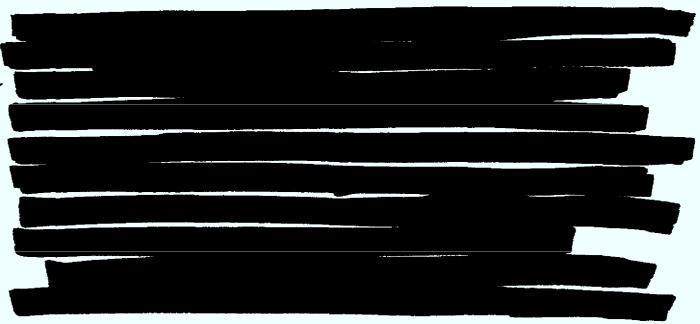


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Mr. Telson. Mr. Belmont. FBI Mr. Mohr_ Mr. Casper_ Mr. Callahan. Date: Mr. Conrad... Mr. DeLoach... Transmit the following in ... Mr. Evans (Type in plain text or code) Mr. Gale... Mr. Rosen I AIR MAIL AIRTEL Mr. Sutliv (Priority or Method of Mailing) Mr. Tavel. Mr. Trotter. Tele. Room. Miss Holmes. Miss Gandy. DIRECTOR, FBI TO: ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR ROS.... PERSONAL ATTENTION: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-352) FROM: BAPBOMB SUBJECT: POLYGRAPH MATTERS Bufile 80-5-4 Bureau authority was granted by Assistant Director ROSEN on 11/27/63 for the interview of with the aid of the polygraph. The polygraph examination was conducted by SA at Birmingham on 11/27/63. The polygraph consent form, polygraph chart, and list of questions are being retained in the Birmingham file. - Bureau (AM) - Little Rock (94-220A)(Info)(AM) Birmingham - 157-352) - 94-219) **REC-31** Approved: Per.

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TO DIRECTOR /157-1025/

FROM SAC, BIRMINGHAM /157-352/

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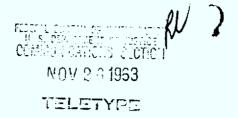
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SEVERAL MEMBERS OF BESSEMER AND EASTVIEW KLAVERSN, UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC., KU KLUX KLAN, INTERVIEWED TODAY TO NO AVAIL. INFORMERS, SOURCES, AND CONTACTS OF PRIME SUSPECTS COULD FURNISH NO NEW INFORMATION.

EFFORTS BEING MADE TO DEVELOP ADDITIONAL INFORMERS IN ACTIVE KLAVERNS AS WELL AS THOSE WHO MAY BE ACQUAINTED WITH CONFIDENCE OF PRIME SUSPECTS. & ONE HUNDRED NINETEEN PENDING

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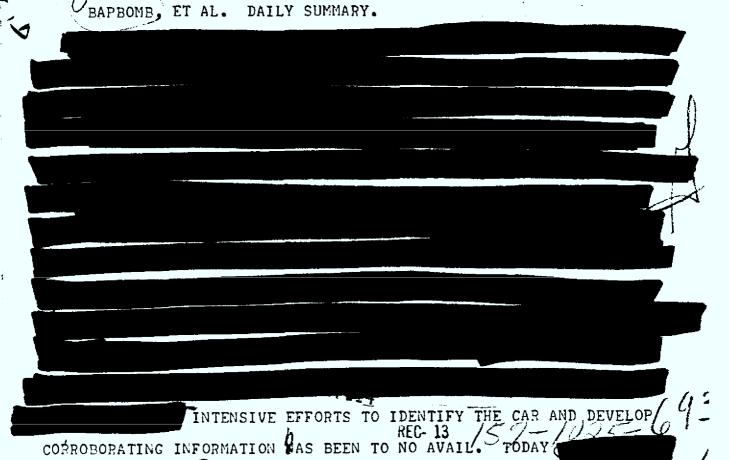
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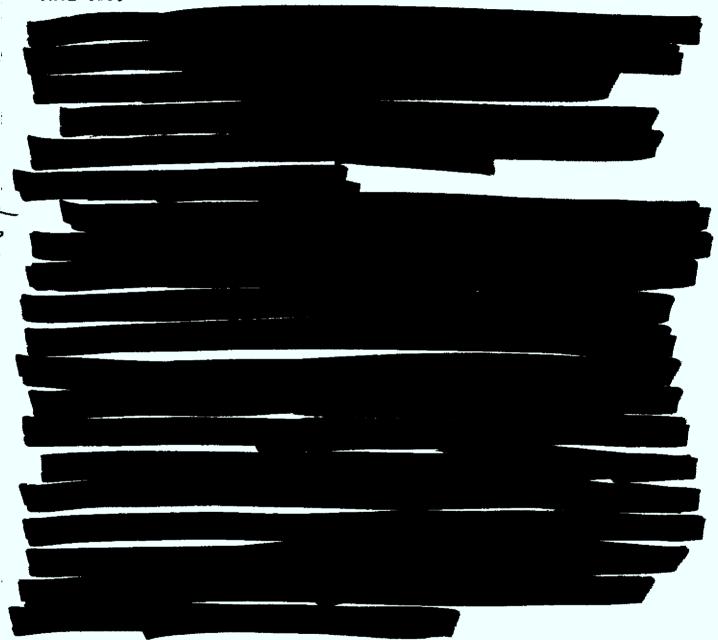
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ALL PRINCIPAL SUSPECTS CAPTIONED MATTER PHYSICALLY
CHECKED TODAY. ADDITIONAL MEMBERS BESSEMER AND EASTVIEW
KLAVERNS, KKK, INTERVIEWED. NO ADDITIONAL INFO DEVELOPED.
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SPOT SURVEILLANCES MAINTAINED TODAY OF SUSPECTS. TWENTYONE INDIVIDUALS INTERVIEWED INCLUDING POSITIVE RESULTS. RELATIVES OF SUSPECTS WITHOUT PERTINENT INFO BEING RECEIVED. REC. 13 $1 \le 7$ PREPARATION OF ADDITIONAL REPORT CONTINUING TODAY.

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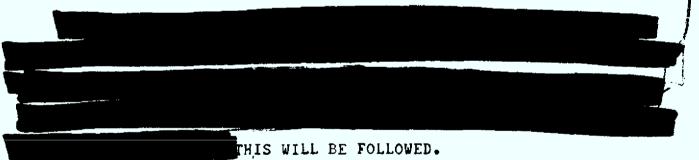
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ADDITIONAL MEMBERS EASTVIEW AND BESSEMER KLAVERNS AS WELL AS RELATIVES OF PRINCIPAL SUSPECTS INTERVIEWED THIS DATE TO NO AVAIL.



ADDITIONAL REPORT WILL BE SUBMITTED THIS WEEKEND TO REACH THE BUREAU ON MONDAY.

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SPOT CHECK AND INTERVIEW OF ASSOCIATES OF PRINCIPAL SUSPECTS
CONDUCTED WITH NO NEW PERTINENT INFO DEVELOPED.

COULD FURNISH NO NEW PERTINENT INFO RE ACTIVITIES OF

ADDITIONAL REPORT PREPARED AND WILL ARRIVE BUREAU

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DAILY SUMMARY.

ALL SUSPECTS CAPTIONED CASE LOCATED AND CONTACTED THIS DATE.

NONE FURNISHED ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OF SIGNIFICANCE.

ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED RE THEIR FRIENDS, ASSOCIATES AND ACQUAINTANCES AND MUCH BACKGROUND OBTAINED BUT NO NEW EVIDENCE OF THEIR INVOLVEMENT IN BAPBOME UNCOVERED.

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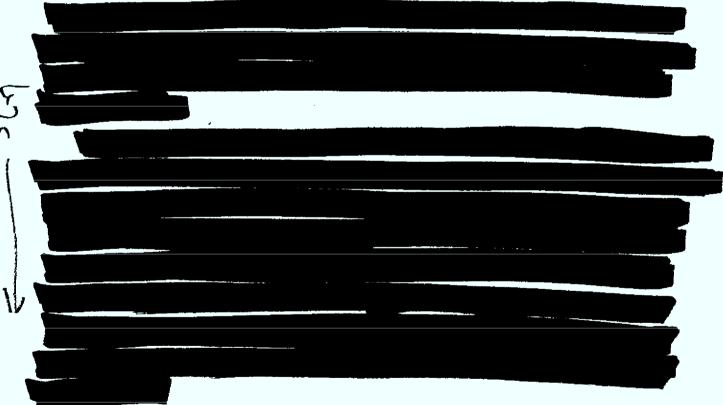
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ROBERT CHAMBLISS,

SECONDARY SUSPECTS ARE

EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED TO LOCATE

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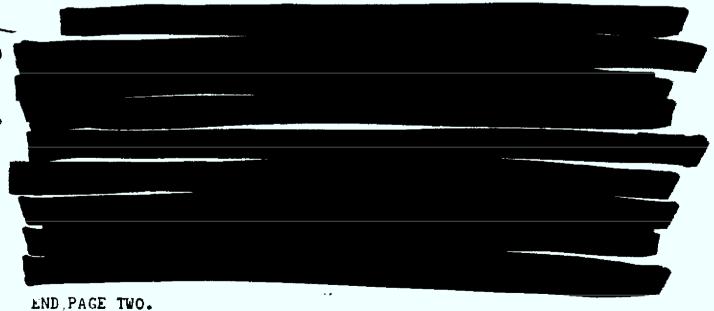
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ACCEPTED MONEY AND SIGNED RECEIPT AND IN SO DOING HE REALIZED FULL WELL THE QUOTE HOLD END QUOTE AGENTS NOW HAVE ON HIM. ENDEAVOR BEING MADE TO QUOTE TURN END QUOTE OTHER ASSOCIATES OF PRIME SUSPECTS AND DEVELOP THEM AS INFORMERS. DURING FORTHCOMING WEEK EVERY FORMER ASSOCIATE OF PRIME SUSPECTS IN EASTVIEW AND BESSEMER KLAVERNS, BIRMINGHAM, WILL BE INTERVIEWED WITH THOUGHT IN MIND OF DEVELOPING THEM AS INFORMERS AGAINST PRIME OR SECONDARY SUSPECTS.



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LIVE INFORMER STATES KLAN HAD NO MEETING THIS WEEK AND NONE PLANNED NEXT WEEK DUE TO QUOTE ACTIVITIES END QUOTE OF FBI.

TWENTYFOUR INTERVIEWS THIS DATE. ONE HUNDRED SEVENTYSIX REMAINING.

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5010-106 UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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Mr. Belmont

DATE: November 19, 1963

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FROM

Rosen

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS:

BOMBING OF 16TH STREET BAPTIST

CHURCH, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, 9/15/63

BOMBING MATTERS

In connection with the assignment of personnel in instant investigation, this is being re-evaluated on a current basis.

In accordance with the Director's approval, 5 Special Agents and 4 clerks were released during the week of October 24, 1963, and subsequently, during the week of November 6, 5 additional Agents were released to return to their office of assignment. The matter of personnel has been re-evaluated on a current basis since then and it appears desirable to phase out by the close of business this week another 7 Agents and 1 stenographer. This will mean that we have reduced our special assignment fifty per cent as of this time. It appears that this will be sufficient personnel for the time being to continue the coverage of investigative leads, as well as to insure that there is no letdown in the pressure which is being exerted to bring about an early solution to this case. As indicated previously, each day results in the development of some piece of information indicating the activity is justified and appears to be in the right direction.

RECOMMENDATION:

If approved by the Director, it is planned that an additional 7 Agents and 1 stenographer will be instructed to return to their office of assignment by the close of business this week. The matter of personnel will be re-evaluated within ten days and appropriate recommendations submitted. If circumstances change in the meantime, you will be immediately advised.

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On November 13, 1963, JERRY DUTTON, of the NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY, obtained warrants in Recorders' Court, Birmingham, Alabama, charging Special Agents and each with trespass after warning and disorderly conduct in Connection with an investigative inquiry at NSRP Headquarters. This matter has been discussed with U. S. Attorney MACON L. WEAVER, who was of the opinion that the charges are frivolous and do not carry much weight and could probably be dismissed in Recorders' Court. Mr. NEAVER stated, however, that he had discussed this matter with Deputy Attorney General KATZENBACH, who indicated it was his recollection that incidents of this type would normally be handled in Federal Court.

Mr. WEAVER asked how I felt about the matter, and I told him that as our legal representative I did not want to interfere with his prerogative of determining the best way of affording protection to the agents through legal means in connection with this matter. I did point out, however, that I felt appropriate consideration should be given to transfer of this case into Federal Court under Section 1442, Title 28, U.S. Code, in view of the fact that our agents were engaged on an official investigation and as such were entitled to whatever protection they should have by virtue of the Federal Statutes.

Mr. WEAVER stated that although he originally felt strongly that there might be some adverse publicity if the charges against the agents were not disposed of in state court

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because of the incidents at Selma, Alabama, where Justice Department officials have refused to make Departmental Attorneys available in state court, he now feels that since the assassination of the Late President JOHN F. KENNEDY there has been a change in the attitude of many people and that it would be possible to transfer this to Federal Court. He indicated he would take action to have this matter transferred to Federal Court this week, and this will be done UACB.

Tolson . UNITED STATES GOVE MENT Belmont Mohr Comper _ Caliahan lemorandum Contad DeLoach & Evans . то Mr. Belmont Gale DATE: November 26, 1963 Bosen Sullivan Tavel . Trotter FROM A. Rosen Tele. Room . Holmes . Gandy SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS: BARBONIS BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH THE STATE OF STATE OF THE STATE BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED SEPTEMBER 15, 1963 BOMBING MATTERS While Governor George Wallace, the political figure most closely identified with the views and beliefs of suspect Klan and National States Rights Party (NSRP) members, made an appearance at. the funeral of President Kennedy in Washington yesterday However, another reliable informant reports the Klan has had no meeting this week and none is planned due to FBI "activities." 1 - Mr. Mohr 1 - Mr. DeLoach - Mr. Evans HET:cac **ջ** Մեն S (9)

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF
SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH As a result of conferences of Agents working on the bombing cases in Birmingham. it was agreed that the following remain as prime suspects:
Robert Chambliss
suspects are Secondary accepted money for securing information and realizes full well" the "hold" Agents now have on him.

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF
SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

Numerous other interviews were conducted 11/23-25/63; however, no pertinent information was obtained.

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You will be kept advised of developments.

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Mr. Belmont

: A. Rosen

DATE: November 30, 1963

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA SEPTEMBER 15, 1963 BOMBING MATTERS

With further reference to the information developed

Although the car to which Chambliss apparently would have had access is a 1956 Ford rather than a 1957 Ford, it is of the same color as the car described by

This phase of the investigation is being closely followed.

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After the Arrest of National States Rights Party (NSRP) member Jerry Dutton on October 30, 1963, for his making a false trespass complaint to the Birmingham Police Department and against SAs it will be recalled that Edward R. Fields. NSRP leader, signed complaints against Agents charging them with trespass and disorderly conduct, and the Agents on the recommendation of the Office of the United States Attorney, Birmingham, met with Chief of Police Jamie Moore, Birmingham, on November 14, 1963, to accept service of the warrants.

United States Attorney Macon L. Weaver has advised that the charges cooked up by the NSRP do not carry much weight and could probably be dismissed in Recorders Court.

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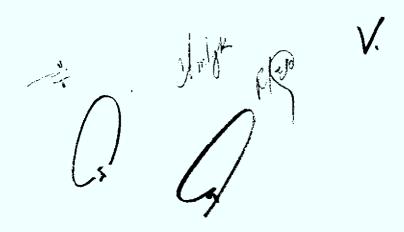
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Mr. Weaver stated he has discussed this matter with Assistant Attorney General Nicholas Katzenbach whose opinion was that situations of this type would usually be handled in Federal court. Although Mr. Weaver originally felt strongly that there might be some adverse publicity if the charges against the Agents were not disposed of in state court because of the incidents at Selma, Alabama, in which the Department refused to make Departmental attorneys available in state court, he now feels that since the assassination of President Kennedy there has been a change in the attitude of many people and as a consequence feels it would be possible to transfer this action to the Federal court without incurring adverse publicity. Accordingly, Mr. Weaver plans to take action to have the matter transferred to Federal court in the next few days.

The concentrated endeavor to "turn" other associates of the prime suspects in this case to develop them as informants continued on November 29, 1963, through the interview of additional members of the Eastview and Bessemer Klaverns in the Birmingham area.

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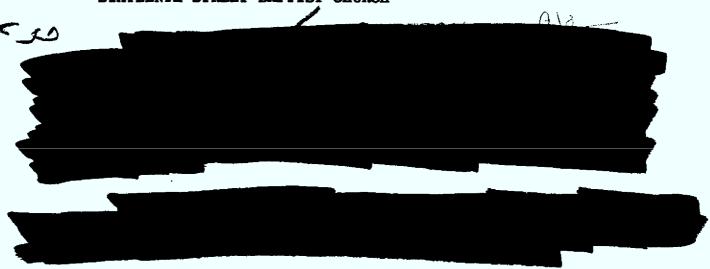


OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10 UNITED STATES GOVEL 1ENT *lemorandum* Mr. Belmont DATE: November 29, 1963 Trotter A. Rosen FROM Tele, Room . Holmes _ Gandy . SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS: BAPBOMB. BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA SEPTEMBER 15, 1963 BOMBING MATTERS efforts to identify the car and to develop corroborating evidencehave been to no avail. 3 1 - Mr. Mohr 1 - Mr. DeLoach 1 - Mr. Evans RBL:cac シェ ぶたししじり

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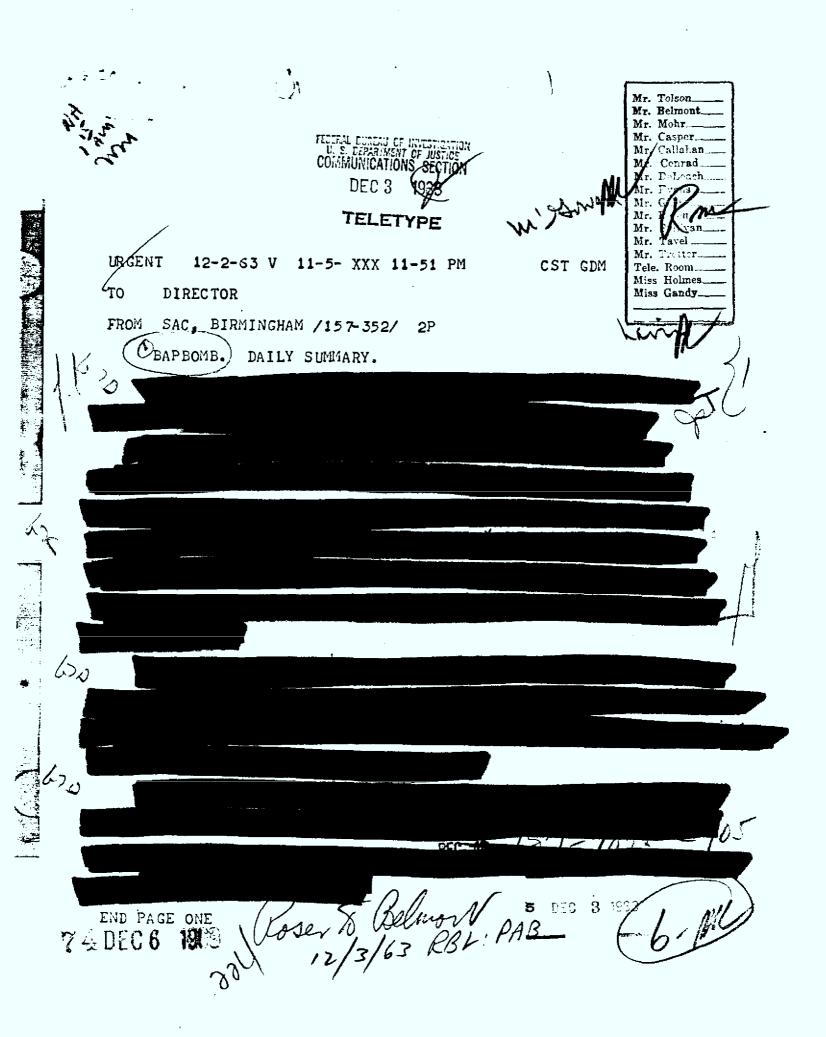


Additional members of the Bessemer and Eastview Klaverns were interviewed on 11-27 and 11-28-63 with no additional information being developed.

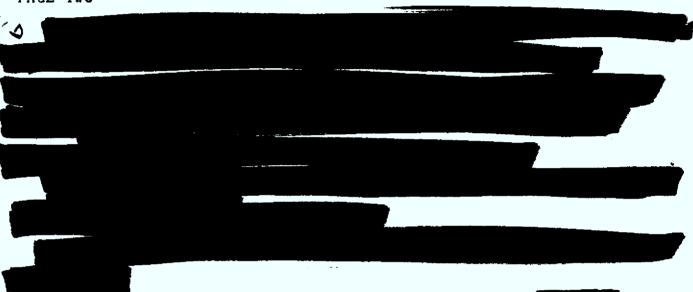
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BROUGHT BY NSRP HAD BEEN REMOVED FROM

CITY RECORDERS COURT TO FEDERAL COURT TODAY BY US DISTRICT JUDGE

C. W. ALLGOOD. DATE OF TRIAL NOT YET SET PER AUSA TAYLOR.

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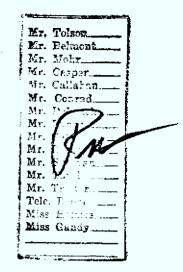
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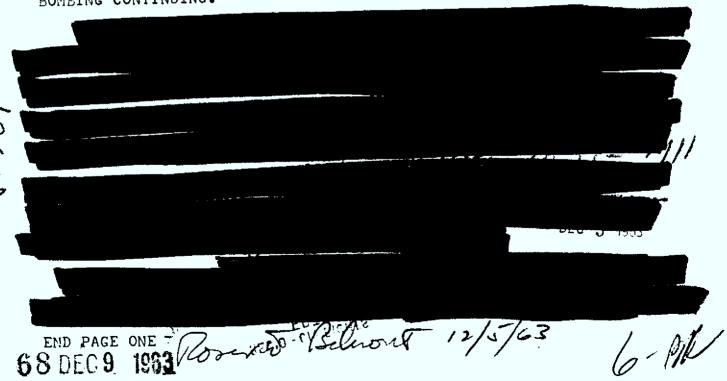
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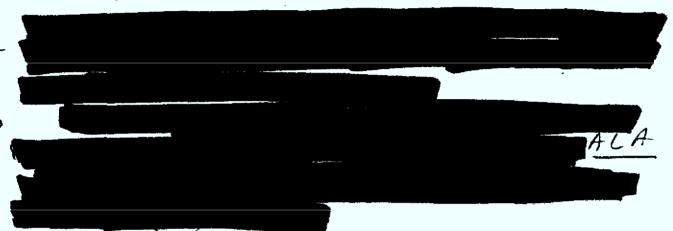
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PAGE TWO.



ROBERT E. CHAMBLISS RETURNED TO HIS RESIDENCE ELEVEN P.M.,
DECEMBER THREE FROM TWO DAY TRIP TO SOUTH ALABAMA AND PANAMA
CITY, FLORIDA, IN CONNECTION WITH HIS BUSINESS.

SPOT CHECKS OF PRIME SUSPECTS AT RESIDENCES AND PLACES OF EMPLOYMENT CONTINUED WITHOUT UNUSUAL ACTIVITIES NOTED.

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PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE
FISUR OF THOMAS E. BLANTON, SR.,

REVEALED VISIT BY HIM THIS DATE TO WEST END BRANCH,
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BIRMINGHAM WHERE HE REMAINED APPROXIMATELY
ONE HALF HOUR AND EMERGED WITH SEVERAL PAPERS AS THOUGH NEGOTIATING
LOAN. THIS WILL BE FOLLOWED.

AT TRIAL OF JERRY DUTTON, NSRP OFFICIAL, IN BIRMINGHAM CITY RECORDERS COURT, ENSLEY PRECINCT, TODAY ON CHARGES OF HAVING MADE A FICTITIOUS COMPLAINT TO BIRMINGHAM PD ON OCTOBER THIRTY, LAST, DUTTON WAS FINED FIFTY DOLLARS AND SENTENCED TO SIXTY DAYS IN JAIL, THE JAIL SENTENCE BEING SUSPENDED. SAS

APPEARED AS STATE WITNESSES. THE INCIDENT INVOLVING REC- 16 / 5 / - / / APPEARED AT NSRP HEADQUARTERS, BIRMINGHAM, WHEN DUTTON CALLED BIRMINGHAM PD ALLEGING AGENTS WERE COMMUNISTS, ALTHOUGH END PAGE ONE COLOR APPEARED ON A APPEARED AS STATE WITNESSES. THE INCIDENT INVOLVING REC- 16 / 5 / - / / APPEARED AS STATE WITNESSES. THE INCIDENT INVOLVING REC- 16 / 5 / - / / APPEARED AS STATE WITNESSES. THE INCIDENT INVOLVING REC- 16 / 5 / - / / APPEARED AS STATE WITNESSES. THE INCIDENT INVOLVING REC- 16 / 5 / - / / / APPEARED AS STATE WITNESSES. THE INCIDENT INVOLVING REC- 16 / 5 / - / / APPEARED AS STATE WITNESSES. THE INCIDENT INVOLVING REC- 16 / 5 / - / / APPEARED AS STATE WITNESSES. THE INCIDENT INVOLVING REC- 16 / 5 / - / / APPEARED AS STATE WITNESSES. THE INCIDENT INVOLVING REC- 16 / 5 / - / / APPEARED AS STATE WITNESSES. THE INCIDENT INVOLVING REC- 16 / 5 / - / / APPEARED AS STATE WITNESSES. THE INCIDENT INVOLVING REC- 16 / 5 / - / / APPEARED AS STATE WITNESSES. THE INCIDENT INVOLVING REC- 16 / 5 / - / / APPEARED AS STATE WITNESSES. THE INCIDENT INVOLVING REC- 16 / 5 / - / / APPEARED AS STATE WITNESSES. THE INCIDENT INVOLVING REC- 16 / 5 / - / / APPEARED AS STATE WITNESSES. THE INCIDENT INVOLVING REC- 16 / 5 / - / / APPEARED AS STATE WITNESSES. THE INCIDENT INVOLVING REC- 16 / APPEARED AS STATE WITNESSES. THE INCIDENT INVOLVING REC- 16 / APPEARED AS STATE WITNESSES. THE INCIDENT INVOLVING REC- 16 / APPEARED AS STATE WITNESSES. THE INCIDENT INVOLVING REC- 16 / APPEARED AS A PROPERTY AS A PROPE

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THEY HAD IDENTIFIED THEMSELVES AS AGENTS THERE ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

AN OFFICER OF BIRMINGHAM PD TESTIFIED THAT THE FALSE CALL RESULTED

IN ABOUT SIX CARS OF BIRMINGHAM PD ANSWERING THE CALL.

DUTTON/S ATTORNEY, MATT MURPHY, ACCORDING TO CITY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY BILL THOMPSON HAS MADE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS TO APPEAL THE CONVICTION AND IF SO THE CASE WOULD BE TRIED IN CIRCUIT COURT AT BIRMINGHAM WITHIN APPROXIMATELY FOUR MONTHS.

OBSERVED AT NSRP HEADQUARTERS AFTER DUTTON/S TRIAL. LENGTH OF HIS VISIT TO BIRMINGHAM NOT KNOWN BUT EFFORTS WILL BE MADE TO COVER ACTIVITIES WHILE HERE. HE IS DRIVING SAME FIFTYEIGHT OLDSMOBILE CONVERTIBLE PREVIOUSLY IN HIS POSSESSION. BIRMINGHAM PD COGNIZANT.

INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED TODAY THIRTYTHREE. INTERVIEWS CONTEMPLATED SIXTYFIVE.

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E. I. DUPONT COMPANY, STORAGE MAGAZINE,

WALKER COUNTY, GEORGIA

9/18/63

INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF EXPLOSIVES

OO: ATLANTA

Re Knoxville teletype to Director and Atlanta dated 9/19/63. \ N7-1021-61

Continued contacts have been made with local law enforcement agencies, Chattanooga and vicinity, and with, other sources. No information has been developed concern ing identity of subjects in this case.

This case is being placed in RUC status subject to be reopened in event any pertinent information is brought to the attention of the Knoxville Office.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO

The Director

DATE:

11/5/63

FROM

N. P. Callahan

SUBJECT:

The Congressional Record

Bap bomb

Pages A6879-A6880. Congressman Huddleston, (D) Alabama, extended his remarks to include an editorial from the October 24, 1963, issue of the Alabama Baptist, edited by Dr. Leon Macon. This editorial stated "The attitude of the white people toward the bombings in Birmingham is one of appall, protest, and complete disgust with the guilty parties. That these crimes could have been caused by outsiders is seen in the fact that 25 FBI men could not solve the problem or point their fingers to the guilty ones. Our law enforcement officers have been firm, calm, and efficient, and humane in their treatment of those creating demonstrations, both white and black. They have done an excellent job in spite of some reports that our law enforcement in Birmingham is poor."

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In the original of a memorandum captioned and dated as above, the Congressional Record for // , was reviewed and pertinent items were marked for the Director's attention. This form has been prepared in order that portions of a copy of the original memorandum may be clipped, mounted, and placed in appropriate Bureau case or subject matter files.

Original filed in: 66-173

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Mr. Belmont

DATE: December 2, 1963

FROM

A. Rosen

SUBJECT:

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH
STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
SEPTEMBER 15, 1963
BOMBING MATTERS

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Over the week end spot check surveillances and interviews of the principal suspects in the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church and other bombings in Birmingham were conducted with no significant information being developed.

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It should be noted that after the premature arrests of three suspects by the Alabama Highway Patrol in September, 1963, the principal suspects in this case have become very wary about their activities and statements and are hostile when interviews are attempted with them.

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ACTION:

You will be advised of developments

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1 - Mr. DeLoach

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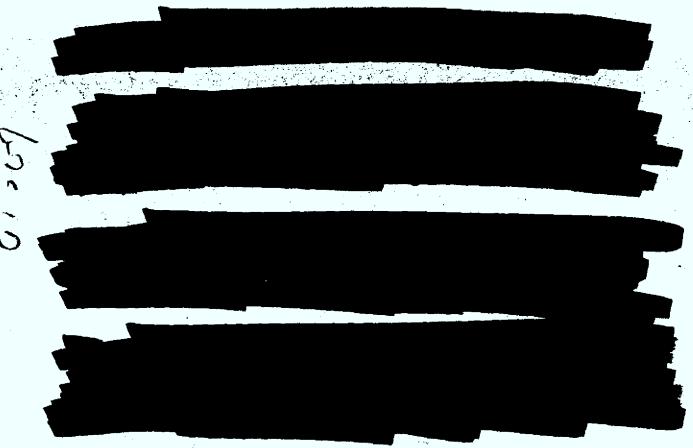
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It is felt that no useful purpose would be served in preparing and disseminating memoranda concerning frank revelations and, in fact, such memoranda might destroy any future assistance she might possibly be to the FBI.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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:Mr. Belmont

: A. Ros

FROM

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH BIRMINGHAM. ALABAMA SEPTEMBER 15, 1963 RACIAL MATTERS

DATE: December 2, 1963

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On 12/2/63, SAC Faisst of the Birmingham Office equested authority for a survey and installation of a microphone surveillance on the residence of Robert Edward Chambliss, 2505 32nd Avenue, North, Birmingham, Alabama, a prime suspect in this case.

It is hoped that through this microphone surveillance information will be developed leading to the identity of the perpetrators of the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church in which four small Negro children were killed.

SAC Faisst assured that the surveillance can be installed with full security.

ACTION:

authority for the installation be granted and the attached teletype be sent to Birmingham. Enclosure

1 - Mr. Sullivan

1 - Mr. Donahue

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TO SAC BIRMINGHAM

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

BAPBOMB, JUNE.

REURTELCALL THIS DATE CONCERNING INSTALLATION OF MISUR REROBERT CHAMBLISS.

AUTHORITY GRANTED FOR SURVEY AND INSTALLATION OF MISUR PROVIDING FULL SECURITY CAN BE ASSURED. ADVISE DATE OF INSTALLATION, SYMBOL NUMBER AND THE LOCATION OF PLANT. FURNISH INFORMATION CONCERNING ELEMENTS OF TRESPASS.

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NOTE:

See Rosen to Belmont memo, 12/2/63, captioned as

above, JCT:nkr.

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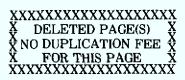
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TO

Mr. Belmont

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FROM : A. Rosen M

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH. BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, 9/15/63 BOMBING MATTERS

This memorandum recommends that the Attorney General's authority be obtained to install technical surveillances on the telephones of

are prime suspects in captioned bombing and other bombings which have taken place in Birmingham. They are also close associates of other prime suspects in these bombings.

It is hoped that through such technical surveillances, information will be developed leading to the identification of the perpetrators of the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church in which four small Negro children were killed.

In view of the tense racial situation in Birmingham, aggravated by the recent bombings, it is believed that further activity on the part of those responsible for the bombings could easily lead to further rioting, bloodshed, loss of life, materially affecting the security of the United States.

The Birmingham Office has assured that the technical surveillances can be installed with full security. There are 60 investigative-type surveillances in operation at the present time and 14 are awaiting installation. The limit is 75.

RECOMMENDATION:

Attached is a separate memorandum concerning the installations desired. It is recommended that this memorandum be sent to the Attorney General requesting authority to install these technical surveillances.

Enclosure -

1 - Mr. Sullivan

1 - Mr. Donahue JCT:cbm:nkr

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BOMBING MATTERS
This serial, the original memorandum from the FBI to the Attorney General dated 11/15/63, which was returned to the Bureau signed by the Attorney General authorizing FBI to conduct electronic surveillance, has been permanently removed for retention in the National Security Electronic Surveillance File per memorandum T. J. Smith to Mr. E. S. Miller dated 7-13-73. See 62-115687-1 for details and where maintained.
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are prime suspects and associates of suspects developed to date in the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Bentist Church.

It is requested that you authorize installation or technical surveillances at their homes or any addresses to which they may move in order that information may be developed leading to the identification of the perpetrators of the bombing, which bombing killed four small Negro children on September 15, 1963.

In view of the tense racial situation in Birmingham, flamed by the hombings, it is believed that additional

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NOTE:

See memo, Mr. Rosen to Mr. Belmont, 11/14/63, same caption, JCT/cbm.

This letter is being classified SECRET since it mentions a technical surveillance.

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No index is being supplied at this time but will be furnished at a later date.

Numerous negative informant contacts from auxiliary offices have been received and are included in the Birmingham file, but are not being set out in the report.

Investigation regarding the shrapnel bombing of 9/25/63, in Birmingham, relative to the clutch hub assembly piece which was found in the crime scene search, and other investigation is being incorporated in this report because all suspects are being interviewed regarding all Birmingham bombings and the inclusion of the specific material relative to the shrapnel bombing furnishes an over-all picture of investigation and eliminates duplication of reporting. It should be noted that copies of any investigation which are pertinent to a specific bombing are being channelized to those specific files.



ADMINISTRATIVE

Approximately forty persons in the vicinity of Southway Grocery Center and 16th Street North and Finley Avenue were interviewed in an attempt to develop local violations against

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The names and addresses of persons interviewed, as well as other investigation conducted along these lines, all of which was nonproductive, is set out in the case entitled Racial Matters, Birmingham File 157-401.

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On September 22, 1963, a surveillance was initiated of the immediate area surrounding the 16th Street Baptist Church, Birmingham, Alabama. Eight teams of agents recorded license tags for a period of two hours centered about the time of the explosion that occurred the week prior. A total of 954 license tags were recorded. Of these, the same license tag was recorded by more than one team and this figure was 157 tags. The same license tag recorded by more than one team and traveling on the same street was determined to be 59.

License tags in the third group, that is, tags recorded by more than one team and not traveling on the same street, were searched through records of the Motor Vehicle Bureau, the identity of owners determined, and owners interviewed without obtaining any information pertinent to this investigation. Names were searched against members of known hate groups and suspects in this matter. Schedules reflecting the determination of repeated occurrences of the same car are maintained in this file.

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A list of members of the 16th Street Baptist.
Church was obtained from
of the church. From this list the members that were present
at the church on the morning of September 15, 1963, when
the explosion occurred, was determined. These members
were located and interviewed. Positive information concerning the identity of unknown subject in this matter was
not obtained. However, in the course of this investigation several wide-spread rumors concerning the bombing
were run down and determined to be without foundation.
The list of the members of the 16th Street Baptist Church
is being maintained in this file.

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INFORMANTS

(RAC) -2 & 3 have continued to furnish information regarding the activities of these informants have also developed information relative to his contacts and associates.

on a regular basis and continues to be extremely conscious of FBI investigation directed towards him.

The following informants have been discontinued as set out below:

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(RAC) 12:15 p.m.
(RAC) 10:30 a.m., 11/25/63
(RAC) 12:10 p.m.

The reasons for their discontinuance have been set out in a prior communication and are not being reiterated at this time.

Prior to discontinuance, these informants furnished extensive intelligence information regarding the activities of

ROBERT E. CHAMBLISS, and NSRP headquarters.

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In particular (RAC) advised that members of the NSRP were jubilant over the assassination of President KENNEDY. This informant also advised that

RAC) stated that ROBERT E. CHAMBLISS was happy over the death of the President.

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UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH,

BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, SEPTEMBER 15, 1963

Character

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BOMBING MATTERS

Numerous present and former klansmen in Alabama interviewed. Background developed, but no further positive information re captioned bombing.

Extensive investigation to determine source of dynamite to used in 1958 attempted bombing has met with negative results.

to identify portion of clutch hub assembly for 1940-42 Hudson automobile continue. All projects being afforded continuous attention. INVESTIGATION REFLECTS MANY MEMBERS OF KLAN AND SEGREGATION-TYPE GROUPS CARRY SOME TYPE OF WEAPON. ALL SUCH INDIVIDUALS ARE, THEREFORE, TO BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

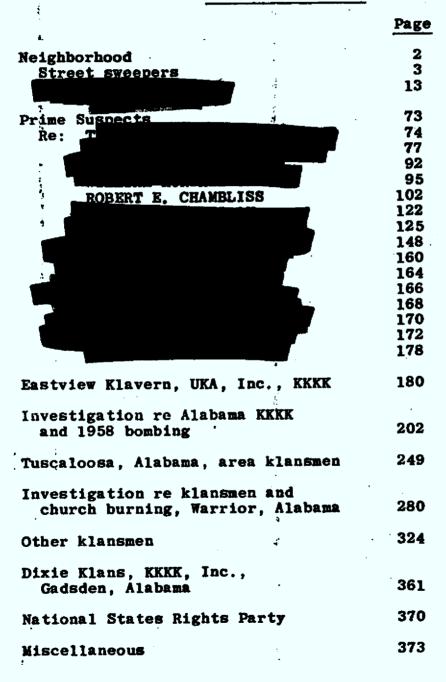
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On October 30, 1963, a piece of coat hanger wire was found by SA in a junk pile located just outside the workshop of the This workshop is located behind the residence a Alabama. This piece of wire was submitted to the FBI Laboratory for comparison with material previously forwarded from evidence located at the scene of the explosion in the vicinity of 1601 South Center Street, Birmingham, Alabama, September 25, 1963.

On November 22, 1963, the FBI Laboratory advised as follows: ...

A comparison of specimen K27 with the previously submitted Q17 portion of a wire coat hanger disclosed that they are not pieces of the same coat hanger. The beginning of the hook part of the hanger is present on Q17 and since it is also present on K27 the latter specimen could not be part of specimen Q17.

The cut ends of the K27 wire were cut with a similar type tool to the tool used to cut the Q17 wire. However, the cut ends of K27 are rusted which prevents a determination as to whether or not the same tool was used to cut these two specimens.

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INVESTIGATION REGARDING ALABAMA KKKK AND 1958 BOMBING

TUSCALOOSA, ALABAMA, AREA KLANSMEN

INVESTIGATION RE KLANSMEN AND CHURCH BURNING WARRIOR, ALABAMA



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DIXIE KLANS, KKKK, INC., GADSDEN, ALABAMA





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On November 1, 1963, two fragments of what appeared to have once been one or more beer cans, which were located in the vicinity of the explosion of the shrapnel bomb on September 25, 1963, in the vicinity of 1601 Center Street South, Birmingham, Alabama, were sent to the FBI Laboratory to be examined for any residue which could be either sulfuric or muriatic acid or for potassium chlorate.

On November 8, 1963, the FBI Laboratory advised as follows:

Specimens received 11/4/63

Q18 - Q 19 Two metal fragments

Results of examination:

No residues were recovered from the metal fragments, Q18 and Q19, which could be associated with the residues from an explosive, fuse or chemical delay device. 1

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During investigation to locate a portion of a 1940 - 1942 Hudson clutch hub assembly, junk yards and automobile salvage places have been searched in the following areas in Birmingham:



In addition to the above, all suspects or acquaintances who have anything to do with auto parts places or garages have been questioned concerning the Hudson clutch hub assembly with negative results.

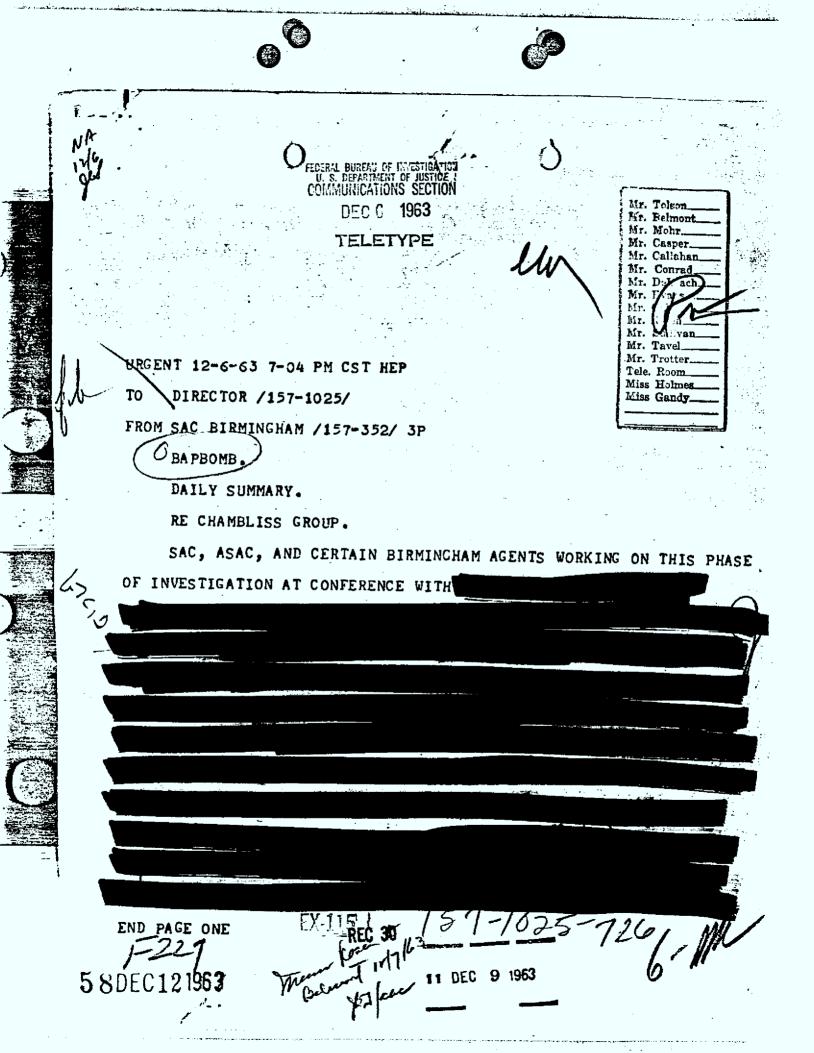




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UNITED STATES GOVERN Mr. Belmont DATE: December 6, 1963 Sullivan Tavel . Trotter A. Rosen Tele. Room Holmes Gandy SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH Bopbomb STREET BAPTIST CHURCH BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA SEPTEMBER A5, 1963 BOMBING MATTERS Jerry/Dutton, an official of the National States Rights Party (NSRP), an anti-Negro and anti-Semitic group with headquarters in Birmingham, was tried in Birmingham City Recorder's Court on 12/5/63 for having made a fictitious complaint to the Birmingham Police Department on 10/30/63. He was fined \$50 and sentenced to 60 days in jail. The jail sentence was suspended. The incident involving Dutton occurred at NSRP headquarters in Birmingham when Dutton called the police department alleging that Bureau Agents were communists and trespassers although the Agents had identified themselves as Agents there on official business. An officer of the police department testified the false call resulted in six cars of the department answering the call. Special Agents appeared as state witnesses. and Dutton's attorney Matt Murphy who is also the attorney for other members of the NSRP presently under indictment in Federal court for interfering with the desegregation of Birmingham schools, has made the necessary arrangements to appeal Dutton's conviction. $\mathbf{171}\mathbf{ved}$ on 12/5/63in Birmingham from Atlanta, Georgia, where he resides. His activities will be carefully watched. NEC 7 159-1025-1 - Mr. Mohr 1 - Mr. DeLoach 8 FE (11.55 TR DEC 9 1963 1 - Mr. Evans RBL:pab (9) DFC 12 1963

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont RE: BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

Numerous interviews were conducted yesterday concerning the bombing cases with no additional pertinent information being developed.

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You will be kept advised of developments.

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locate these two men and the car.

Efforts are continuing to

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was reinterviewed on 12/4/63 but no pertinent information was received.

Spot checks of prime suspects at their residences and places of employment were made yesterday without any unusual activity being noted.

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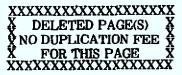


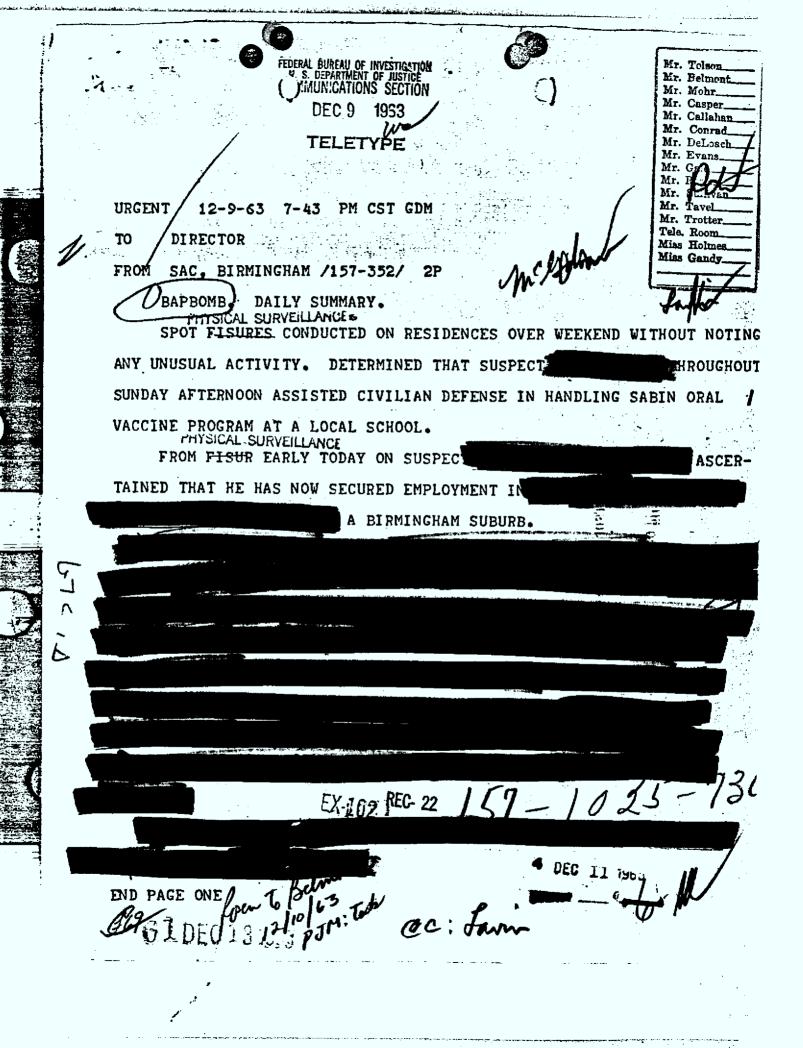


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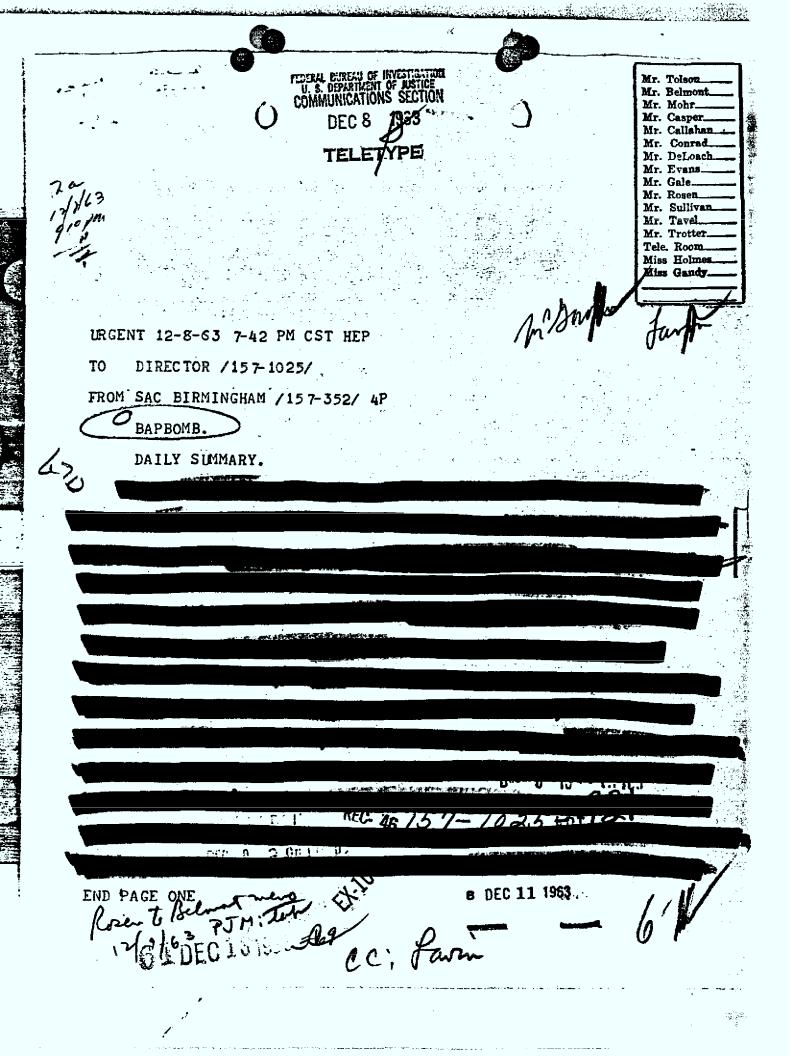




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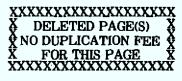




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IT WAS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED THAT THOMAS E. BLANTON, SR., VISITED WEST END BRANCH, FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BIRMINGHAM, THIS

PAST WEEK.

TAMPA DIVISION HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO DETERMINE DETAILS RE THIS AS NOPREVIOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING PROPERTY HELD BY BLANTON IN THAT AREA.

SPOT CHECKS OF PRINCIPAL SUSPECTS MADE AND NO PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

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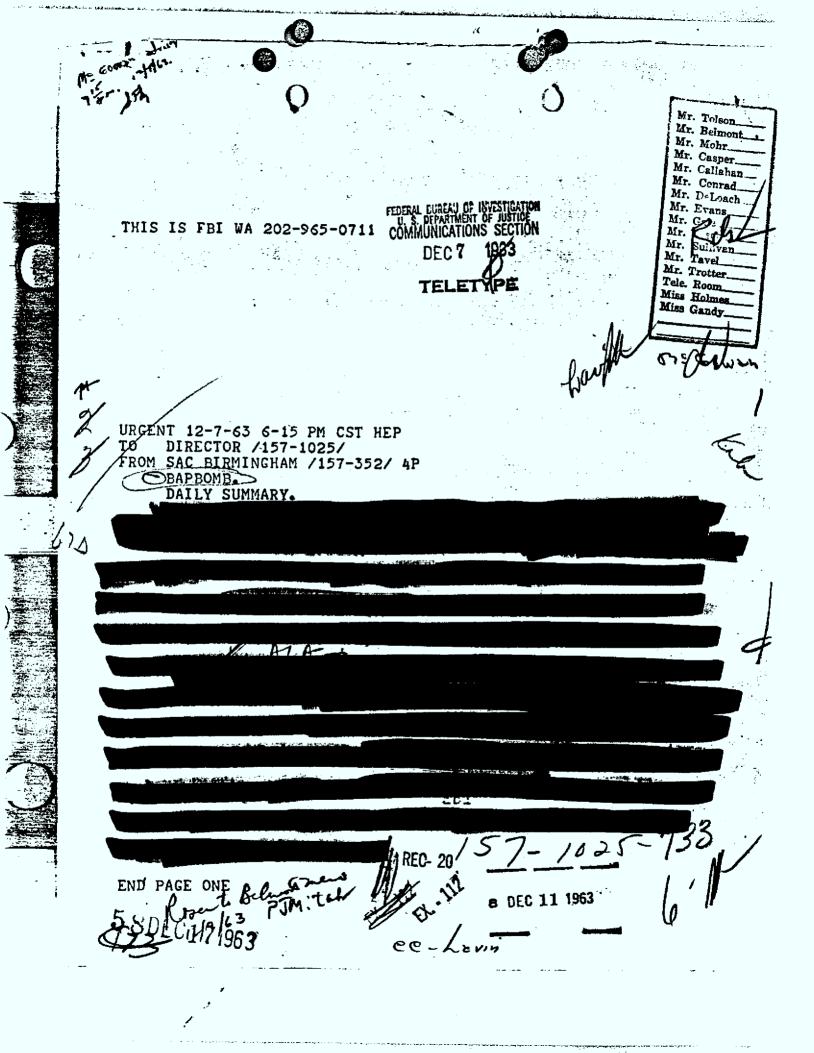
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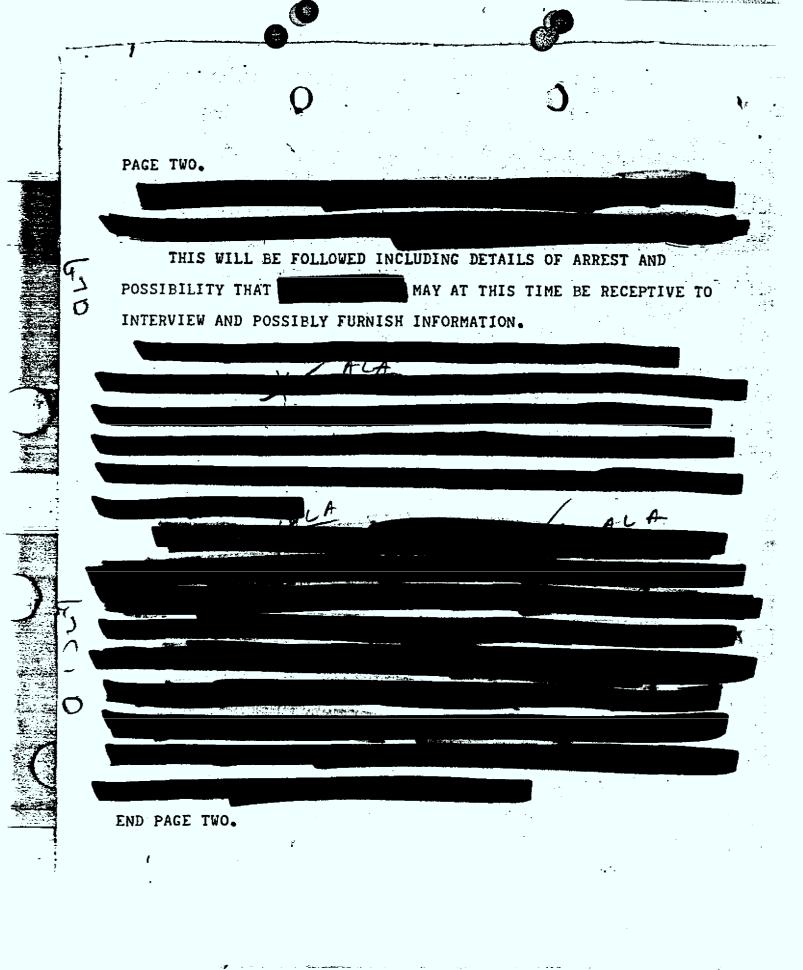
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A MEETING OF EASTVIEW KLAVERN WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY DECEMBER TWELVE, SIXTYTHREE, AT WHICH TIME AN ELECTION OF OFFICERS WILL BE HELD. EXPECTS A GOOD TURNOUT.

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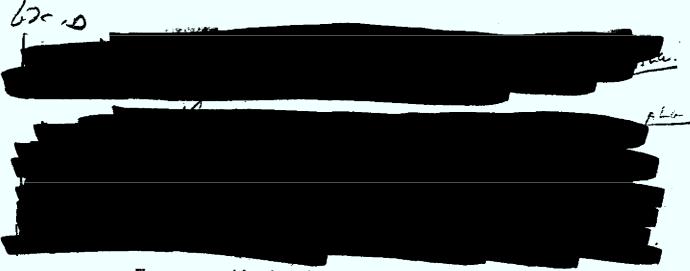
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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH



We are continuing to develop all information received concerning Robert Chambliss and as well as other members of the Chambliss group who are prime suspects in this case.

ACTION

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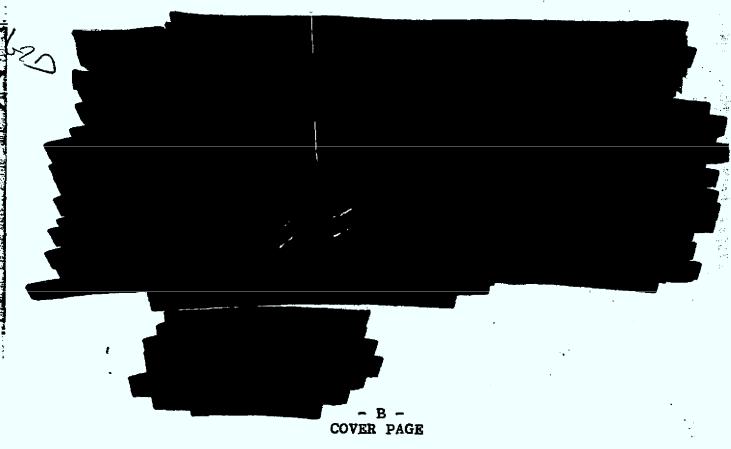
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One extra copy of this report is being submitted to the Birmingham Division in case it later develops that one copy is needed for USA, Birmingham.

One copy of this report is being submitted to Atlanta for information in view of the investigation this case, and one copy being submitted for Miami Division in view of reported activities by Miami informant relating to this case.

Knoxville airtels to Bureau 9/21/63 and 10/8/63 set forth results of investigation, Knoxville Division, regarding bomb suspects, Knoxville Division, reporting information regarding their past and present activities and reported position re acts of violence. Results of interviews with them, as well as members of klan-type and hate-type organizations, Knoxville Division, all met with negative results.



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Knoxville, by communication dated 11/4/63 to the Bureau, submitted to the Birmingham Division photographs of together with color photographs of cars known to be available to these individuals.

By communication dated 11/5/63, the Knoxville Division furnished the FBI Identification Division with information regarding the above three individuals, with others, to assest in locating fingerprints of these individuals to be searched and compared against the latent fingerprint recovered in connection with the attempted bombing of the Jewish Temple Bethel, Birmi Cham, Alabama, April 28, 1958.

LEADS

All leads, this case, have been received through detailed airtel and other separate communications. When covered, the results of the investigation, Knoxville Division, has been furnished to the Bureau and Birmingham Division by separate communications; therefore, no leads are being set forth in this report.

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UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF 16th STREET BAPTIST CHURCH,

BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, SEPTEMBER 15, 1963

Character: BOMBING MATTERS

ゲンC Synopsis:

All three of the above

individuals determined through investigation to have been in Chattanooga, Tennessee, on September 15, 1963. No information developed any of the three individuals have associated with individuals from State of Alabama or that they have visited with individuals in Alabama or have been visited by individuals from Alabama within the past several months. Background information re recent activities of these individuals set forth.

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AT CHATTANOOGA TENNESSEE:

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Date September 30, 1963

Special Agent personally observed by tween 7:45 AM and 8:15 AM, September 25, 1963.

At his place of employment,

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At this time his 351 Ford half-ton pickup truck, dark green in color, bearing 1963 Tennessee license was observed parked at this place of business.

At 8:10 AM, September 25, 1963, Special Agent observed a 1957 Ford. 2-door, green and white, bearing 1962 Tennessee license which is the property of parked at the residence Chattanooga, Tennesse. Also parked at this address was a 1951 ear<u>ing 1962 Te</u>nnessee license Chevrolet Club Coupe, which is registered and has been used in the past by nowever, during spot checks of this residence for the past two weeks, this car has had one flat tire and does not appear to now be in use by the family.

At 8:15 AM, September 25, 1963, the above-described 1957 Ford had been moved and was not located at this address.

On 9/25/63 of Chattanooga, Tennessee File # KX 157-189

Special Agent Date dictated 9/26/63

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On October 29 and 30, 1963, Special Agent took color photographs of the following automobiles, Chattanooga, Tennessee:

1957 Ford. 2-door, green and white, property 10/29/63 bearing 1962 Tennessee This car was parked at the license parking lot of Chattanooga.

(4 photographs) Tennessee.

1951 Ford one-half ton pickup truck, dark 10/29/63 green, 1963 Tennessee license registered to name

photographed at above address. (I photo)

1958 Ford. 2-door, tan and white. 1962 Tennessee 10/29/63 registered to license who is now wife of Photographed beside East Chattanooga Fire Hall. (4 photographs)

1959 Ford. 2-door, green and white, property 10/30/63

Photographed at

barking lot. (7 photos)

This car bore 1962 Tennessee license #

1955 Oldsmobile "88", 2-door__white and orange, 10/30/63 bearing 1963 Alabama license photographed l photograph)

10/30/63 1957 Dadge, two-tone blue, 2-door, property of

Photographed rear vard of residence, turs car bore 1962 Tennessee license (1 photograph)

The above 1951 Ford pickup truck was observed on October 29, 30, and 31, 1963, by Special Agent

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at various times in East Chattanooga, Tennessee, at 1911 Wilder Avenue, 2915 Taylor Street, and other locations in East Chattanooga.

On October 29, 1963, the 1955 Oldsmobile "88", 2-door, described above, was observed parked the majority of the day directly in front of the

father-in-law of was observed was observed working on this car. It was again parked in the same location on October 30, 1963, and did not appear to have been moved from 12:35 PM to 5:30 PM, October 30, 1963. Again, on several occasions appeared to be working or rubbing on this car. On this date the license number was obtained, which was reported as 1963 Alabama license This car was again observed parked same location on October 31, 1963.

On the afternoon of October 30, 1963, Special Agent observed an unknown woman driving 1955 Oldsmobile, 4-door, bearing 1962 Tennessee license drive up to the side of the side

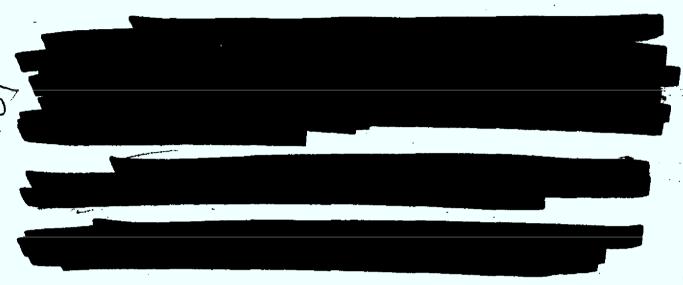
On the afternoon of October 30, 1963, two other automobiles in addition to those listed above were observed at Chattanooga, Tennessee. These two are described as:

1953 Dodge, 4-door, white, bearing 1962
Tennessee license registered to Chattanooga, Tennessee; and

1960 Cadillac Coupe, 1962 Tennessee license registered to Chattanooga, Tennessee.

On October 31. 1963, Special Agent observed parked at a 1961 Oldsmobile "88", 4-door, 1962 Tennessee license registered to Chattanooga, Tennessee.

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By communication dated November 14, 1963, Birmingham Division furnished the following information:

On November 12, 1963, Special Agent, checked the automobile registration records, Fort Payne, Alabama, which records reflect that Alabama license Georgia (DeKalb County, Alabama), for a 1955 Oldsmobile, Identification

Investigation, DeKalb County, Alabama, reflects that employed by Chattanooga, Tennessee.

An article appeared in the Chattanooga News Free Press, Chattanooga, Tennessee, October 21, 1963, reflecting that J. A. MILTER appeared at a Constitutional Party Convention scheduled at Indianapolis, Indiana. MILTER had declared himself a Regional Chairman for the Southeastern States, reported was from Quitman, Georgia, and drove to that meeting in a truck plastered with signs advocating Senator J. STROM THURMAN, nominee for President.

Date October 30, 1963

At 6:05 PM, October 21, 1963, there was observed in the parking lot of the Chattanooga, Tennessee, operated by Chattanooga, Tennessee, ope

Also parked on this lot was a 1957 Ford pickup truck green in color, similar to the truck driven by a line the past.

The machine shop appeared to open, however, no one was observed.

The Volkswagen vehicle was not observed later in the evening, either at the shop or at the residence of

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By telephone, the Birmingham Division advised the Knoxville Division at 2:15 AM, September 5, 1963, that unknown subjects had bombed the residence of ARTHUR SHORES, Birmingham, Alabama, on the night of September 4, 1963.

At 2:30 AM, September 5, 1963, Special Agent observed the residence of Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Chattanooga, Tennessee.

All cars known to have been available for their use, including 1957 Chevrolet, 2-door, bearing 1962 Tennessee license and 1957 Ford, 2-door, bearing 1962 Tennessee license and 1951 Ford pick-up truck, bearing 1963 Tennessee license were observed parked at this residence.

was observed by Special Agent
N between 7:30 and 8:00 AM, September 5, 1963,
at his place of employment,
Tennessee.



September 20, 1963

Special Acout spot checked the residence of Chattanooga, between 4:00 and 4:30 Pm, September 15, 1963. Tennessee 957 Ford. two-tone green, 2-door, that time bearing 1962 Tennessee license could not be located Parked at this residence at the deadby Special Agent end of was approximately a 1954 or 1956 4-door Pontiac, two-tone green, which had no front license plate. No

one was observed at the

residence at that time.

9/15/63 KX 157-189 Chattanooga, Tennessee File # On 9/16/63 Special Agent Date dictated by

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Date September 20, 1963

On September 18, 1963, Special Agents and Chattanooga, Tennessee, observed parked at the dead-end of Street, two automobiles, one a 1955 Chevrolet Convertible, 2-door, white top and white trunk, bright red body, bearing 1962 Tennessee license Also observed was a 1954-1956 Pontiac, 4-door, two-tone green with no front license plate.

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On October 28, 1963, Special Agent observed what appeared to be the remains of a red Chevrolet Convertible in a completely demolished condition in the driveway of the residence of Chattanooga, Tennessee.

On November 5, 1963, anonymous telephone call to Erlanger Baroness Hospital Information Desk determined that condition was fair.

On November 12, 1963, the Information Desk, Erlanger Baroness Hospital, advised that the had been dismissed as a patient November 6, 1963.







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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT lemorandum : Mr. Belment DATE: November 27, 1963 Tovel A. Rosen SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS: BOMBING OF 16TH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA 9/15/63 BOMBING MATTERS Reference is made to the memorandum of November 19, 1963. reflecting that an additional seven Agents and one stenographer would be released at the close of business the week ending November 23, 1963. The matter of personnel has been re-evaluated on a current basis. At the present time, there are 17 Special Agents, including the SAC on special assignment from Little Rock, and three clerical employees. It now appears that of the 17 Agents we should phase out 9 by the close of business this week. This will include the SAC, the remaining 8 to be released no later than the middle of next week. SAC Faisst at Birmingham has been in close daily touch with this case, as well as Agents of the Birmingham Office, and they should be in a position to pursue the investigation in a forceful manner in line with the present plans ar.fobjectives which have been initiated. This case will continue to receive the utmost attention in the Birmingham Office and auxiliary offices having leads. RECOMMENDATION: If approved by the Director, we will immediately instruct Birmingham to phase out by the close of business this week 9 Special Agents, inclusive of the SAC on special assignment, and 3 clerical employees, the remaining Special Agents to be released no later than the middle of next week. If circumstances change in the meantime, you will immediately be advised. 1 - Mr. Mohr 1 - Mr. Callahan 25 DEC 11 1963 ADDENDUM: 11/27/63 AR:ige Birmingham Office advised of the above and appropriate action being taken in accordance therewith.

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Mr. Belmont

DATE: December 11, 1963

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FROM:

A. Rosen

SUBJECT:

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA SEPTEMBER 15, 1963 BOMBING MATTERS

This matter is being followed and the information may be utilized to assist in future interviews of the by making reference to possible fraudulent tax returns.

Spot check surveillances of prime suspects at their residences and places of employment were made og December 10, 1963, without any significant information being developed.

Investigation is continuing to develop all information received concerning Robert/Chambliss and as well as other members of the Chambliss group who are prime suspects in this case.

Numerous interviews were conducted on December 10. 1963, without any additional pertinent information being developed.

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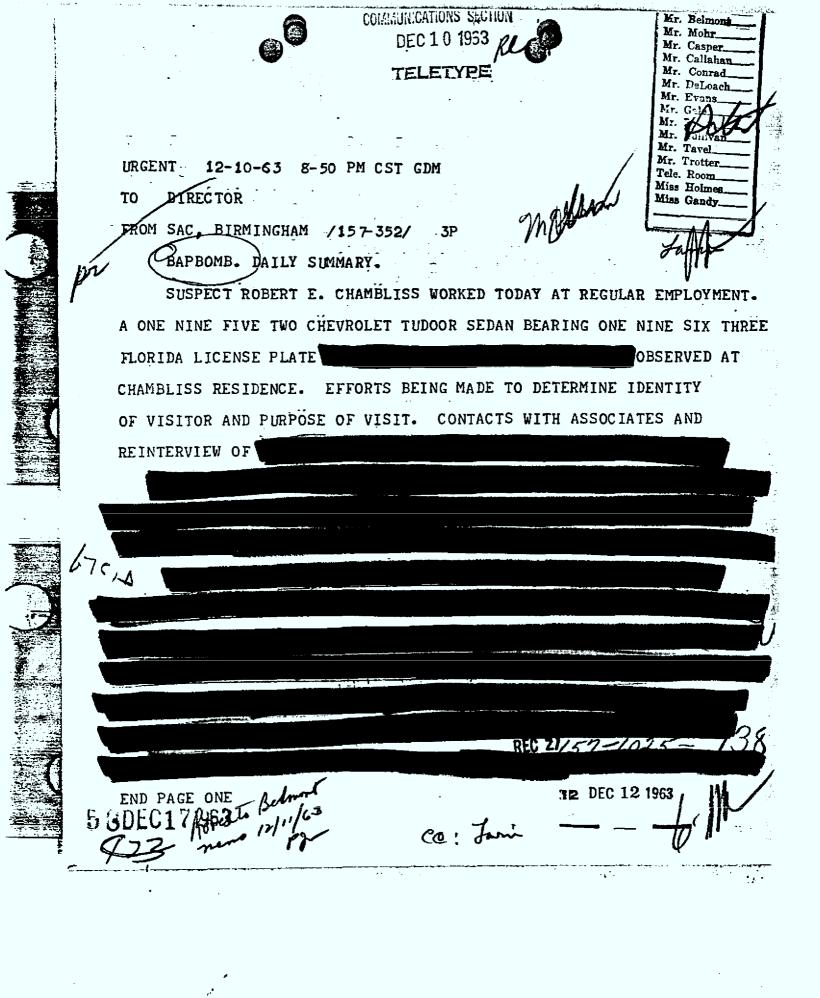
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DATE: December 10, 1963

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being interviewed to develop information concerning him and to develop any other information that he might be involved in the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church.

Spot check surveillances of prime suspects at their residences and places of employment were made on 12/9/63 without any significant information being developed. Numerous interviews were conducted on 12/9/63 without additional pertinent information being developed.

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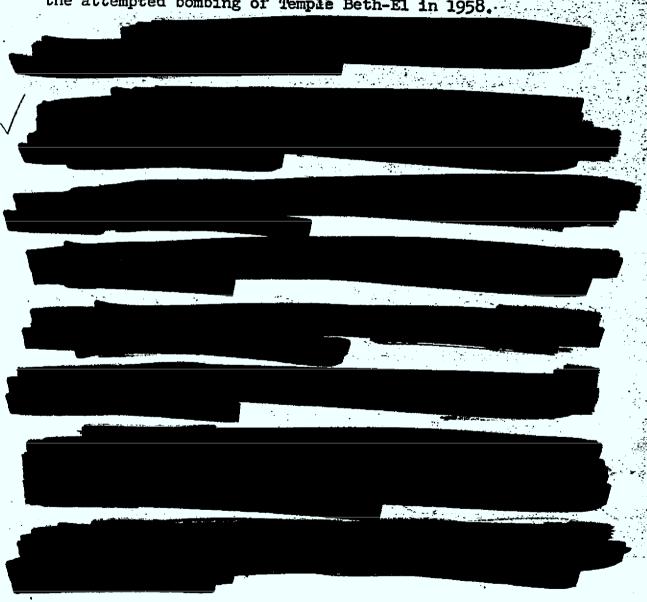
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The other 13 individuals are named below, their full names being set forth, together with birth data and FBI number or fingerprint arrest number. The Bureau is requested to compare the prints of these 13 individuals against the latent fingerint developed by Birmingham in connection with the attempted bombing of Temple Beth-El in 1958.







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157-1025 - 140

December 10, 1963

TO:

SAC, Mobile

BAPBOMB

REFERENCE: EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: 12/3/61 Mobile SPECIMENS:

The two latent fingerprints in the case entitled "Unknown Subjects; Attempted Bombling of Jewish Synagogue Temple Beth-Ei, Birmingham, Alabama, 4/28/58," are not identical with the fingerprints of with the fingerprints of the other twelve named suspects.

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Mr. Belmont TO

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FROM

SUBJECT:

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS: BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA SEPTEMBER 15, 1963 BOMBING MATTERS

On the night of 12/10/63 unknown persons shot metal balls by slingshot into the residence of Negro attorney Arthur D. Shores. A Birmingham racial informant has furnished the identities of several members of the Eastview Klavern, United Klans of America, whom the informant believes are involved in this matter. The informant obtained second-hand information several hours after the incident occurred indicating

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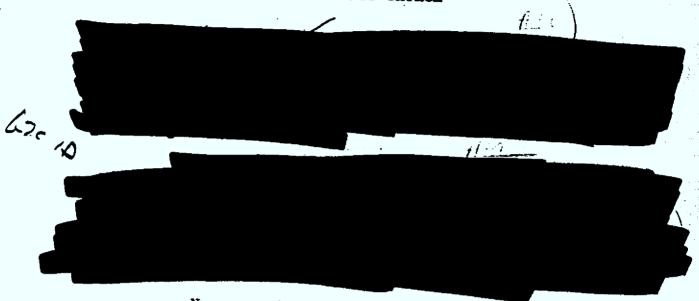
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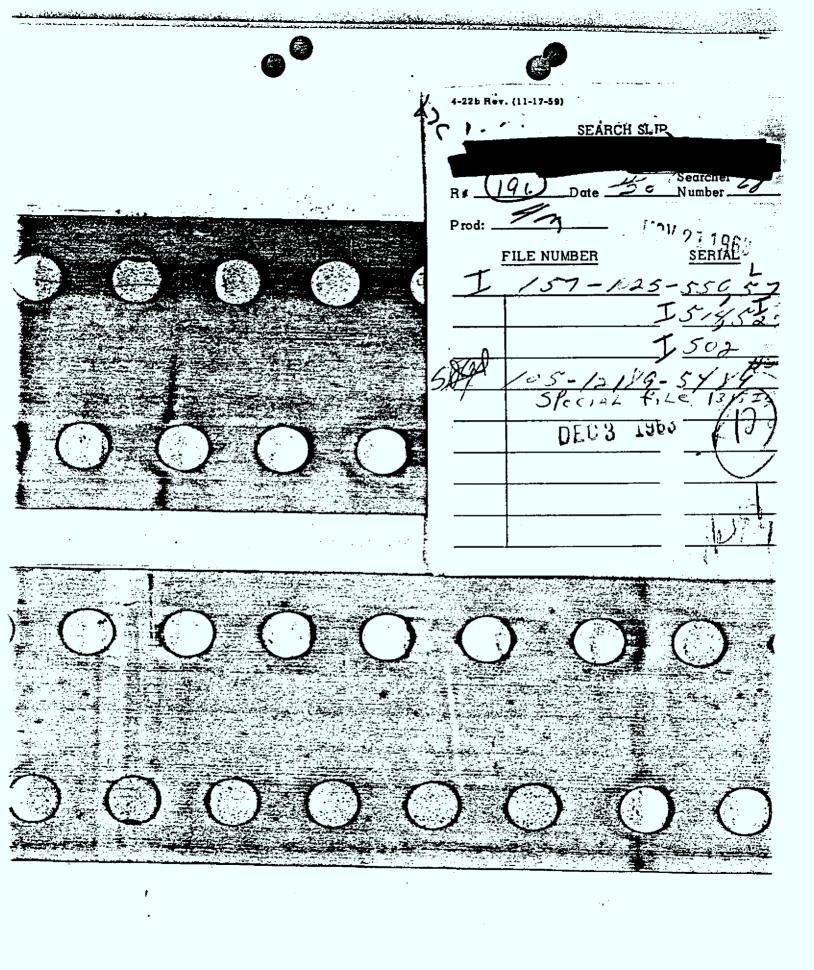
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BOMBING MATTERS

a principal suspect in the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church, was at his residence the entire evening of December 10, 1963, the night the steel balls were shot into Arthur Shores' residence.

another principal suspect in the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church, refused to talk to Agents on advice of his attorney, Matt Murphy, Murphy has been acting as attorney for leading racial agitators in Birmingham.

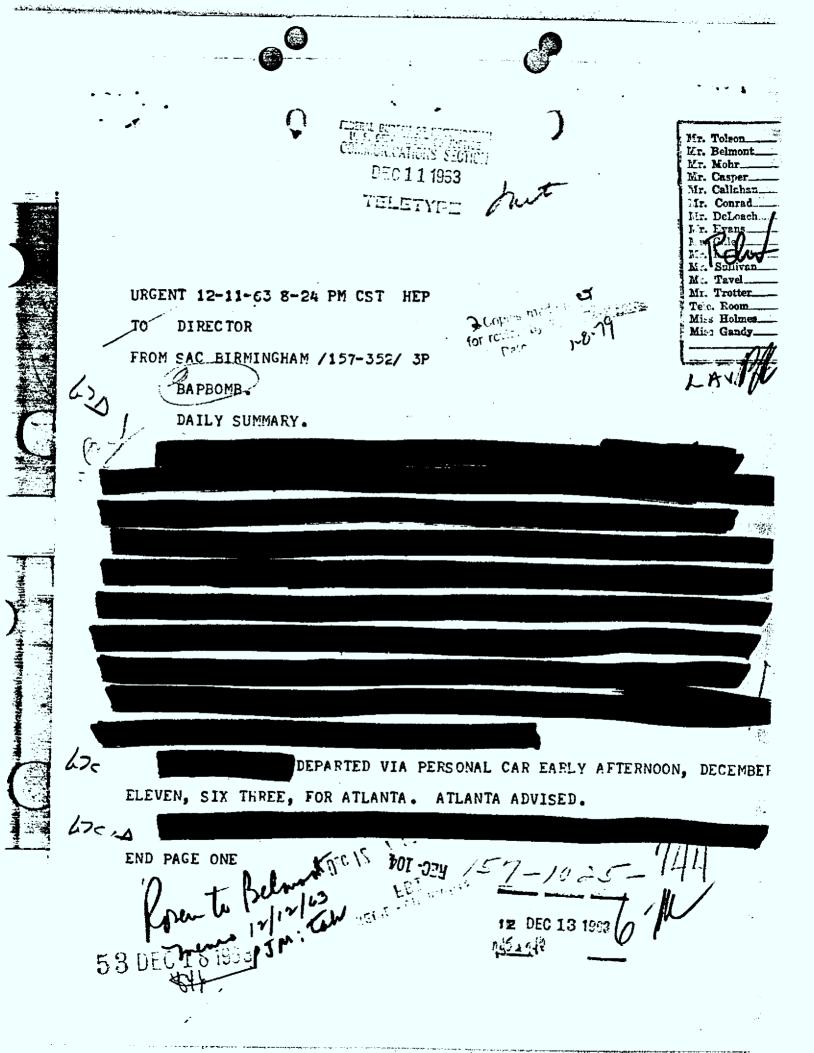
Spot check surveillances of prime suspects at their residences and places of employment were made on December 12, 1963, without any significant information being developed. Numerous interviews were conducted on December 12, 1963, without any additional pertinent information being developed.

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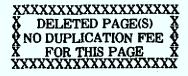


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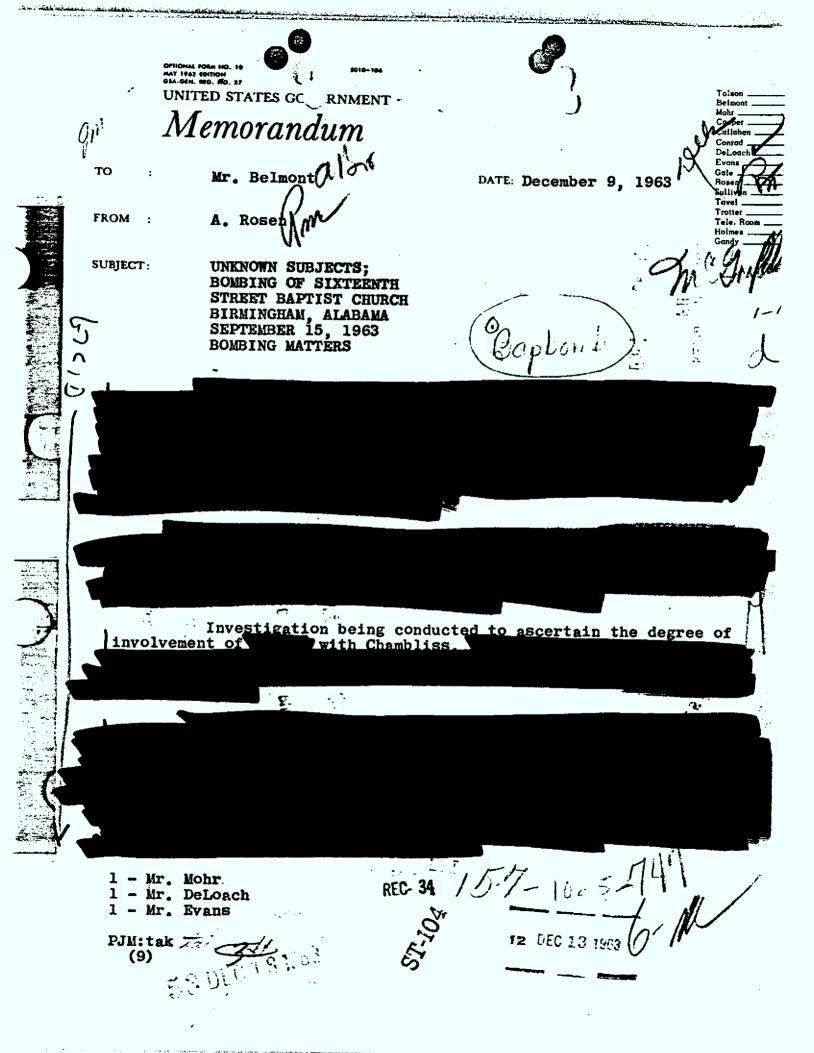
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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

We are continuing to develop information concerning
Robert Chambliss and as well as other members of the
Chambliss group who are prime suspects in this case.

Surveillances of prime suspects at their residence and places of employment were made without any unusual activity being noted. Additional interviews were conducted on 12/7 and 8/63 with no additional pertinent information being developed.

ACTION:

You will be kept advised of developments.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAC BIRMINGHAM /157-352/ 3P

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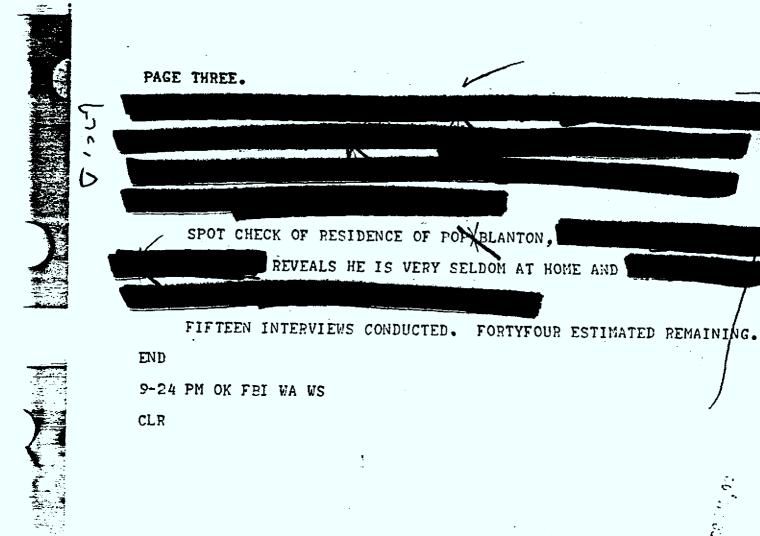




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DIRECTOR /157-1025/

FROM SAC. BIRMINGHAM /157-352/

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DAILY SUMMARY.

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Mr. Conrad Mr. DeL Tavel. Miss Holme

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COURT RECORDS COVERING RECENT TRIAL OF JOHN WESLEY HALL, ROBERT CHAMBLIS, AND CHARLES A CAGLE HAVE BEEN PARTIALLY REVIEWED AND NO INFORMATION WHICH WAS NOT ALREADY IN POSSESSION OF BIRMINGHAM OFFICE HAS BEEN REVEALED. REVIEW OF THESE COURT RECORDS WILL BE COMPLETED. ANY NEW AND PERTINENT INFORMATION IF SUCH IS DEVELOPED WILL BE FULLY EXPLORED.

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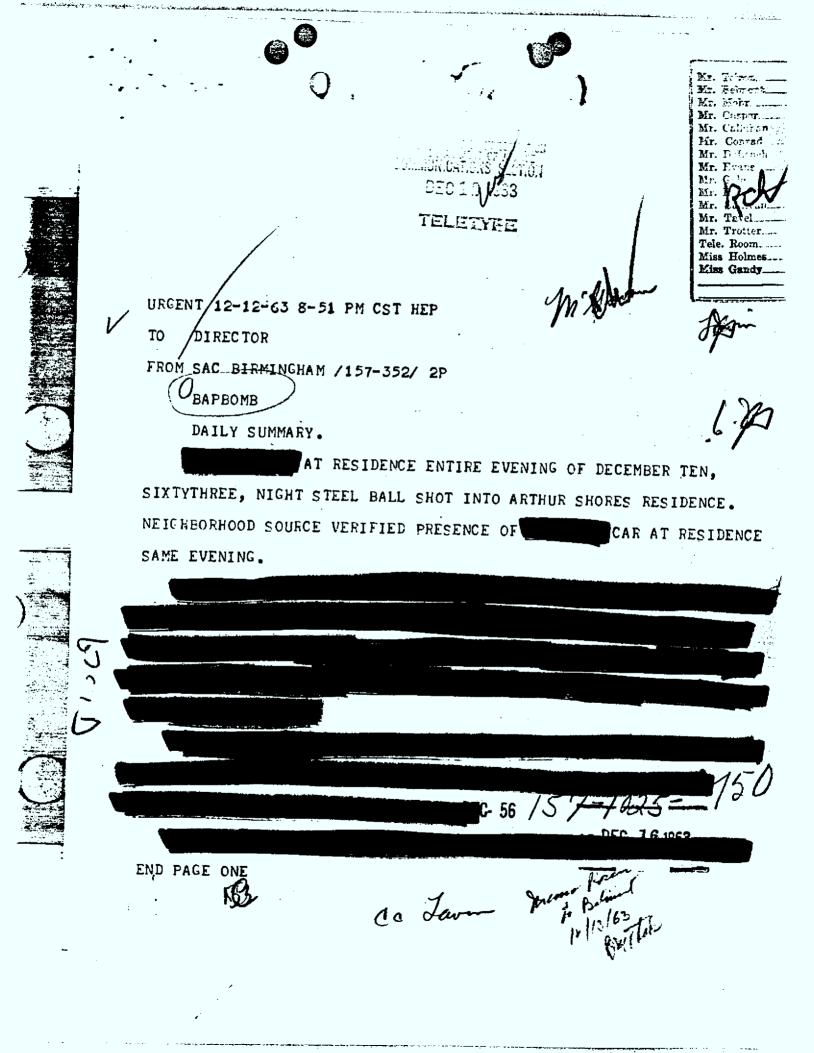
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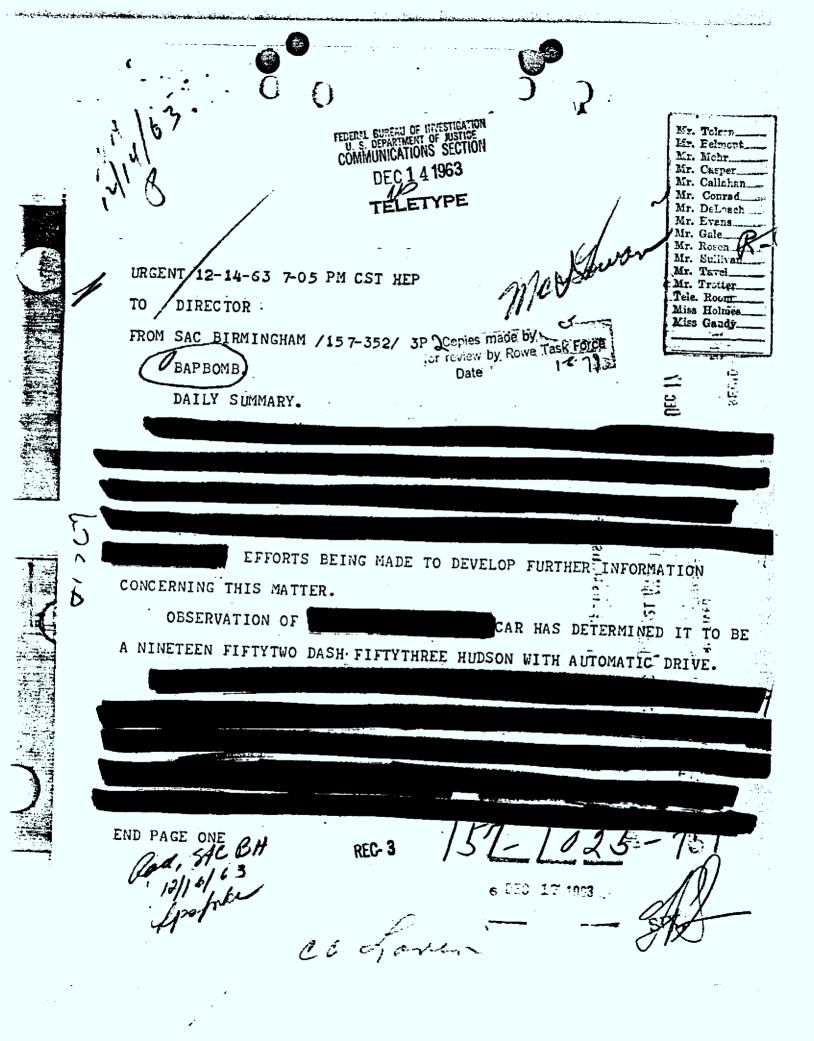
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To date no pertinent information regarding possible suspects has been received from informants, sources or law enforcement agencies. Their identities are not being set forth but are being retained in the New Orleans file in this matter.

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at the discretion of the jury by death or by
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than ten years."

"Title 14, Section 99

Conspiracy to commit certain felonies

Any two or more persons conspiring together to commit an assault on another with intent to murder, maim, rob, ravish, or to commit the crime against nature, or who attempt to poison any human being, or to commit murder by any means not amounting to an assault, shall each themselves be guilty of a felony, and shall, on conviction, be imprisoned in the penitentiary of the State of Alabama for not less than one year, and not more than ten years."

while and chambles would be the prime suspects, others should be hamed in the conspiracy and could testify without being indicted, the possibility exists they might "open up" and tell all. THOMAS BLANTON, Sr.

are persons in this category. There are several other klansmen that the prosecutor might deem advisable to subpoens who would possibly "break" under this Grand

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Jury inquiry, e.g., those who broke off from the Eastview Klavera and were forming the new "action group" at
Cahaba River. Several of these and other klammen can
testify as to the other acts of violence and many of them
have said that they did not want to furnish any information to the Agents at this time, but if they were confronted
with a warrant of arrest or a Grand Jury subpoens they would
give consideration to furnishing information.

- (2) First witness should be a Special Agent thoroughly cognisant with all ramifications of BAPBOMS to give the over-all story. (He would have in his possession the enlarged pictures of the four deceased Negro girls, as well as "before" and "after" pictures of victim church.)
- (3) Serious consideration should be given to having testify as a "polygraph expert". (We understand there is a precedent for this.) He could testify which persons "failed" their exam. He is an impressive witness.
- (4) In the presentation of the conspiracy case, the Circuit Solicitor could call the conspirators, or other klansmen, at that time he would deem propitious to the presentation, so as to show the best possible picture.

The suggested witnesses as concerns

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(1) Agent to give over-all story.

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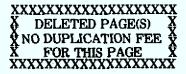




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The foregoing does not intend to tell the full story that could be presented. Should the Bureau favorably consider this suggestion the entire file would be reviewed and a prosecutive summary report prepared. (Enclosed are some of the FD-302's and memoranda that would be used in such a summary.)

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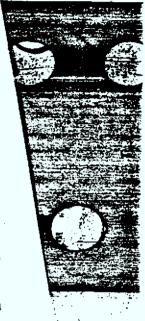
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Promptly prepare a prosecutive summary report in this matter. Furnish Bureau five copies of report. You should prepare an extra copy of forthcoming report for possible future dissemination to U.S. Attorney, Birmingham; however, no dissemination is to be made of forthcoming report without prior instructions from Bureau.





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At Montgomery, Alabama

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in abeyance until requested to do so by Office of
Origin, Birmingham.

THE BIRMINGHAM DIVISION

At Birmingham, Alabama

Will advise Knoxville and Mobile when desirous of having and and material nterviewed.

At Cullman, Alabama

Will interview concerning knowledge of instant bombing if desired by Office of Origin.

THE NEW ORLEANS DIVISION

One copy of report being sent for information.

THE ATLANTA DIVISION

One copy of report being sent for information.

THE OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

At Tulsa, Oklahoma

At Sheriff's Office, Tulsa, Oklahoma, ascertain if they have any of property and if so, advise if 1963 Georgia registration with the property.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

All information contained in this report concerning stolen motor vehicles and check matters are being consolidated into an additional report, which will be captioned aka., EFP; ITSMV, in which the Office of Origin is Atlanta.

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Color photographs have been taken and will be forwarded to Birmingham, Mobile and Knoxville upon completion of development.

has advised he is willing to submit to polygraph examination in regard to information furnished, and it is requested that Birmingham advise Oklahoma City if request for the polygraph examination to be submitted to the Bureau.

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UNITED STATES GO RNMENT

Memorandum

TO

Director, FBI (157-1025)

DATE: 12/2/63

FROM

SAC, Birmingham (157-352)(P)

SUBJECT:

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12/1/63, Birmingham.

Enclosed for the Bureau are three copies and for Mobile one copy of an additional administrative page, marked H-1 setting out names of sources of banking information on individuals mentioned in rerep.

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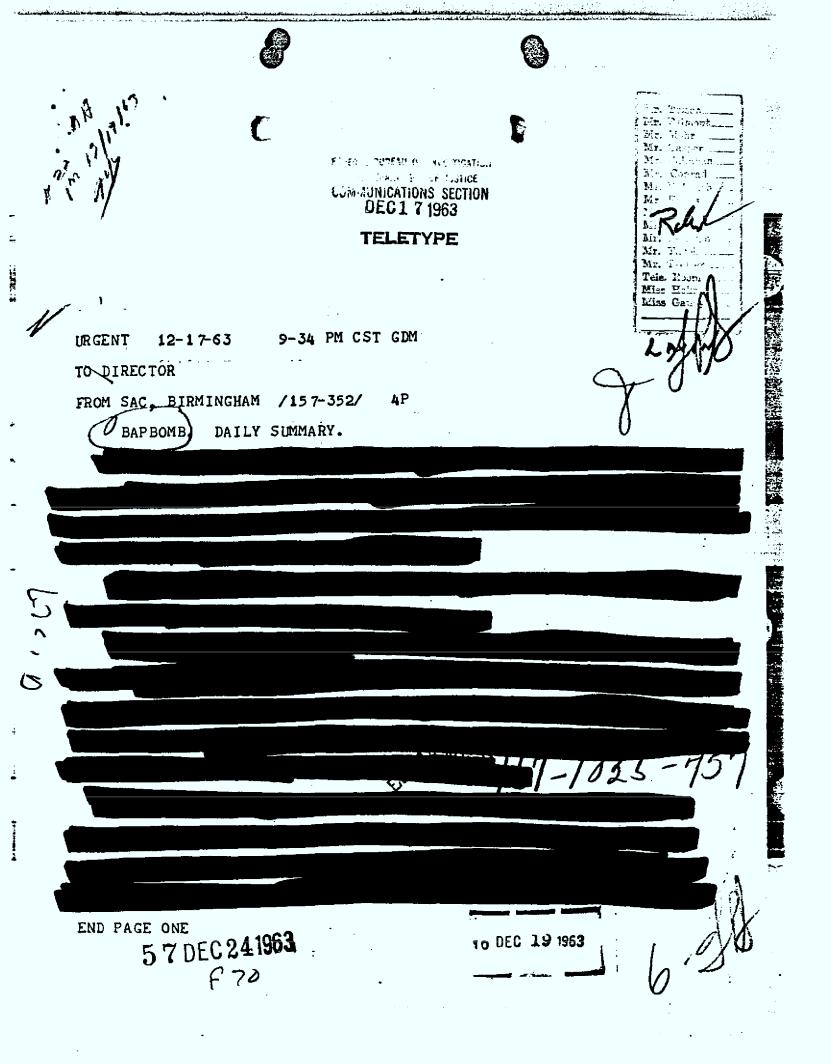
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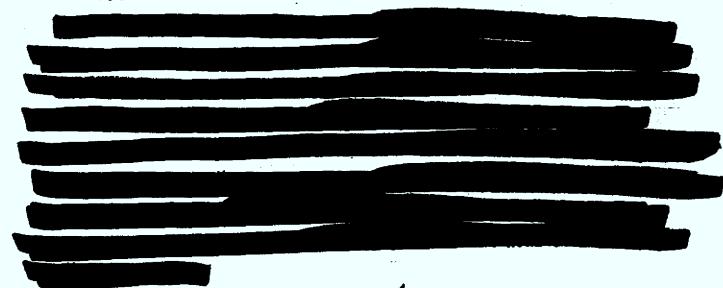


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DIRECTOR /157-1025/

FROM SAC, BIRMINGHAM /157-352/

BAPBOMB

DAILY SUMMARY.

TO BE PECONTACTED TOMORROW

ON DECEMBER EIGHTEEN, AUSA R. MACEY TAYLOR ADVISED DURING MOTIONS HEARD IN DISTRICT COURT, BIRMINGHAM IN CASE INVOLVING

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IN VIEW OF PREVIOUS INFO

REGARDING RAMBLER SEEN IN AREA OF CHUPCH BOMBING THIS MATTER WILL BE EXPLORED FULLY.



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UNITED STATES GOV:

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DIRECTOR, FBI (157-1025) ATTENTION: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

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SAC. KNOXVILLE (157-189) (P)

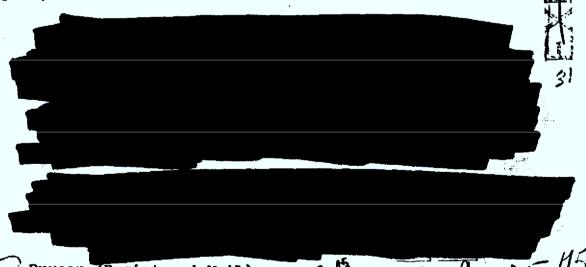
SUBJECT:

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Re Bureau airtel to Knoxville and Birmingham October 25, 1963; Knoxville letter to the Bureau November 5, 1963.

A review of the list of members of the Dixie Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. (DK, KKKK, Inc.) as complied from contact with informants, interviews of reported members through investigation of BAPBOMB and other investigation in an effort to determine possible suspects has been completed. In addition to the information submitted on the six individuals in referenced Knoxville letter, the following are the names of some of the other DK, KKKK, members together with available identifying data.

The Identification Division is requested to attempt to locate fingerprints of these individuals and compare their prints, if located, with the latent fingerprints recovered in connection with the attempted bombing of the Jewish Temple Bethel, Birmingham, Alabama, April, 1958.



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The Bureau is requested to furnish the results of the above requested examination to the Birmingham and Knox-ville Divisions.

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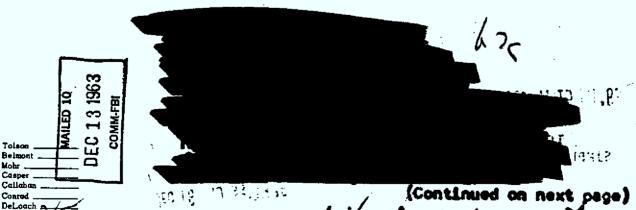
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Rosen

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REFERENCE: Letter 12-EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Knoxville SPECIMENS:

The latent fingerprints previously developed in the case entitled "Unknown Subject": Attempted Bombing of Temple Beth-El Jewish Synagogue, 21st Way and Highland Avenue, Birmingham, Alabame, 4-28-58, Bufile #100-135-4, are not identical with the fingerprints of the following listed individuals:



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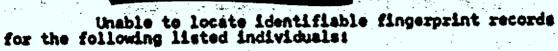
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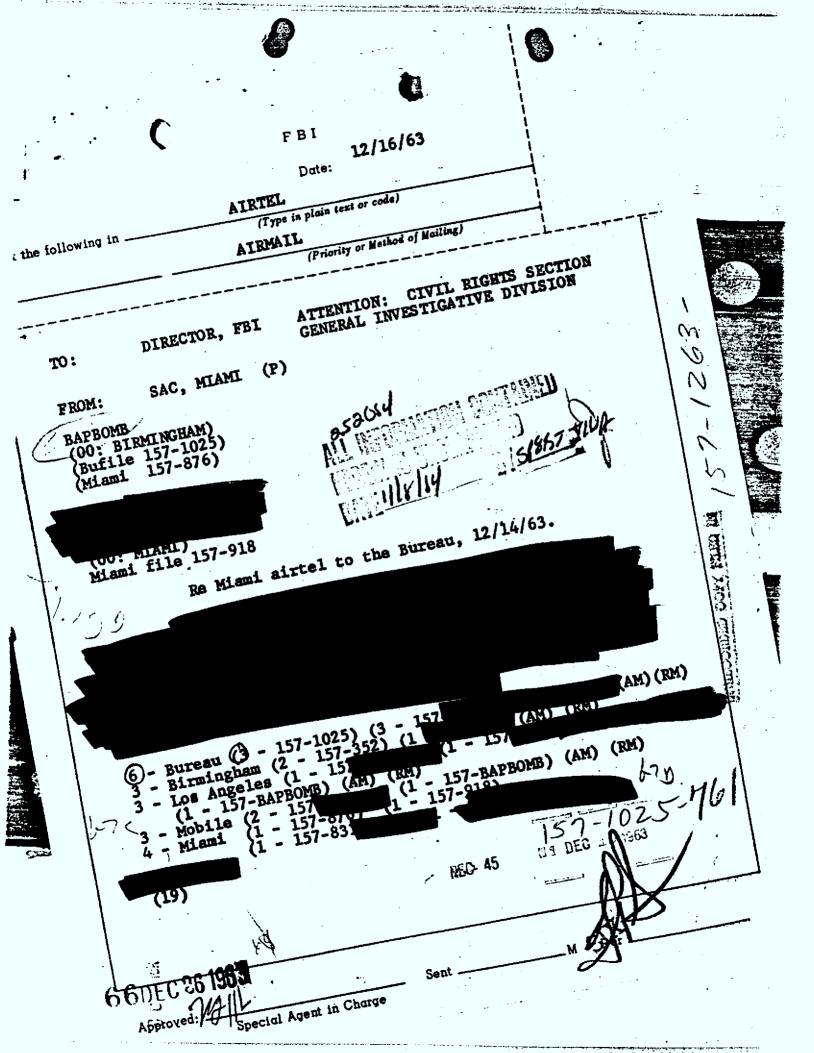
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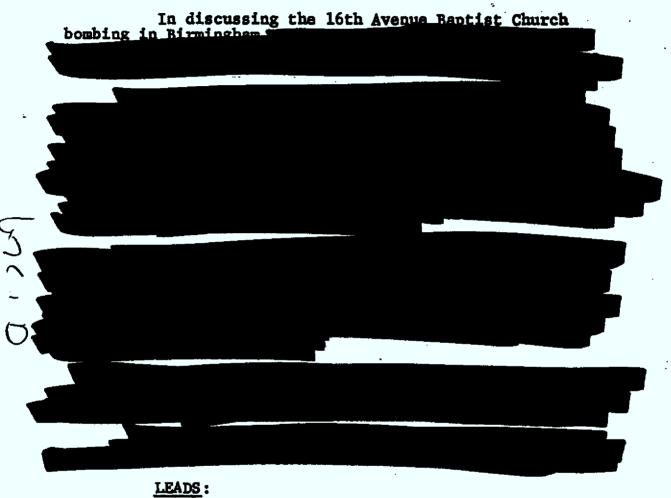
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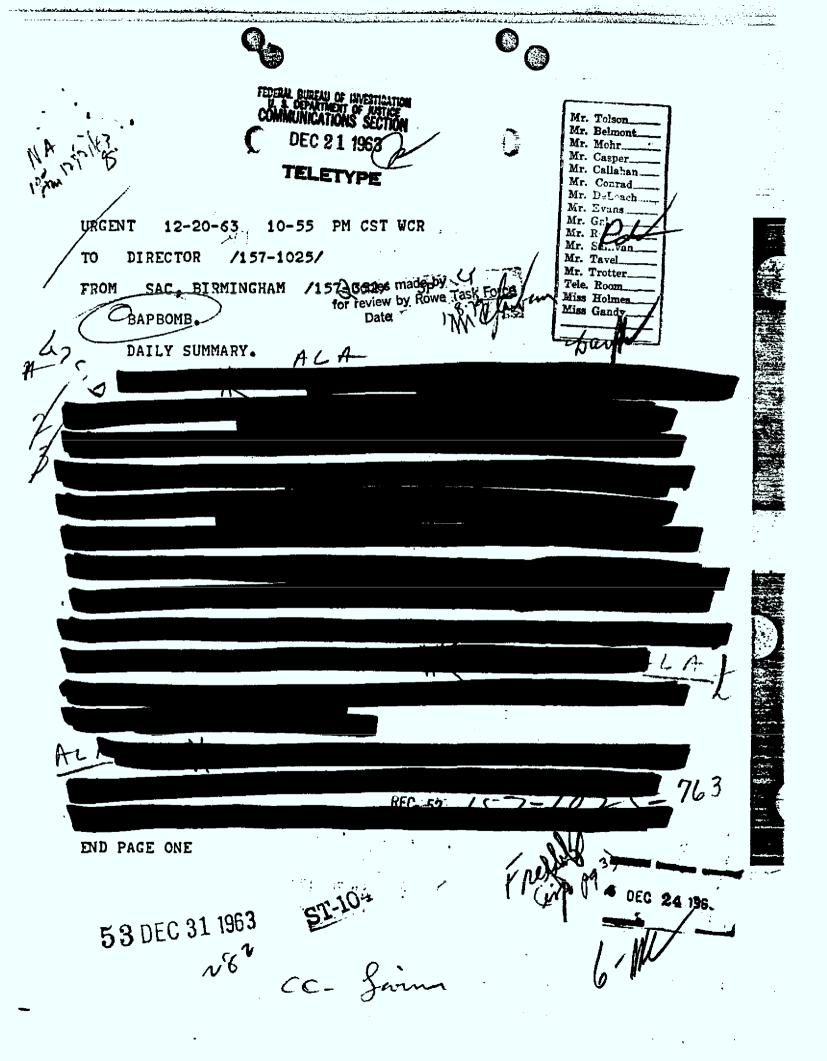
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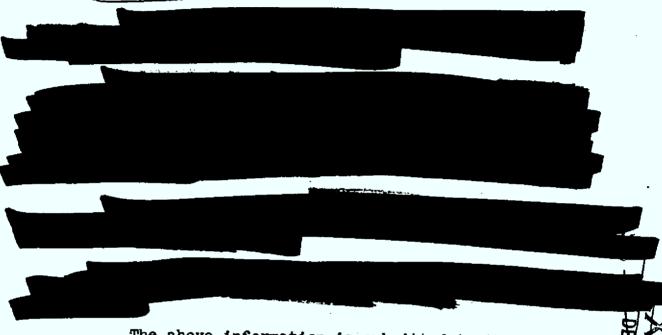
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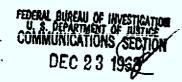
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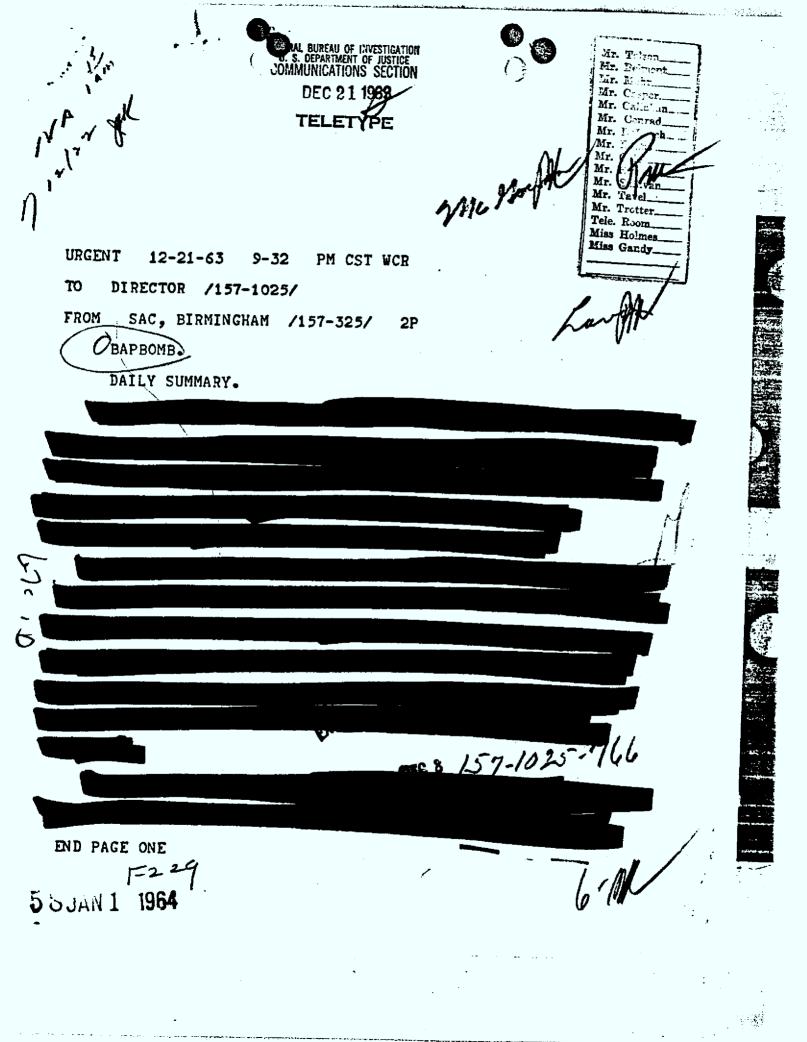
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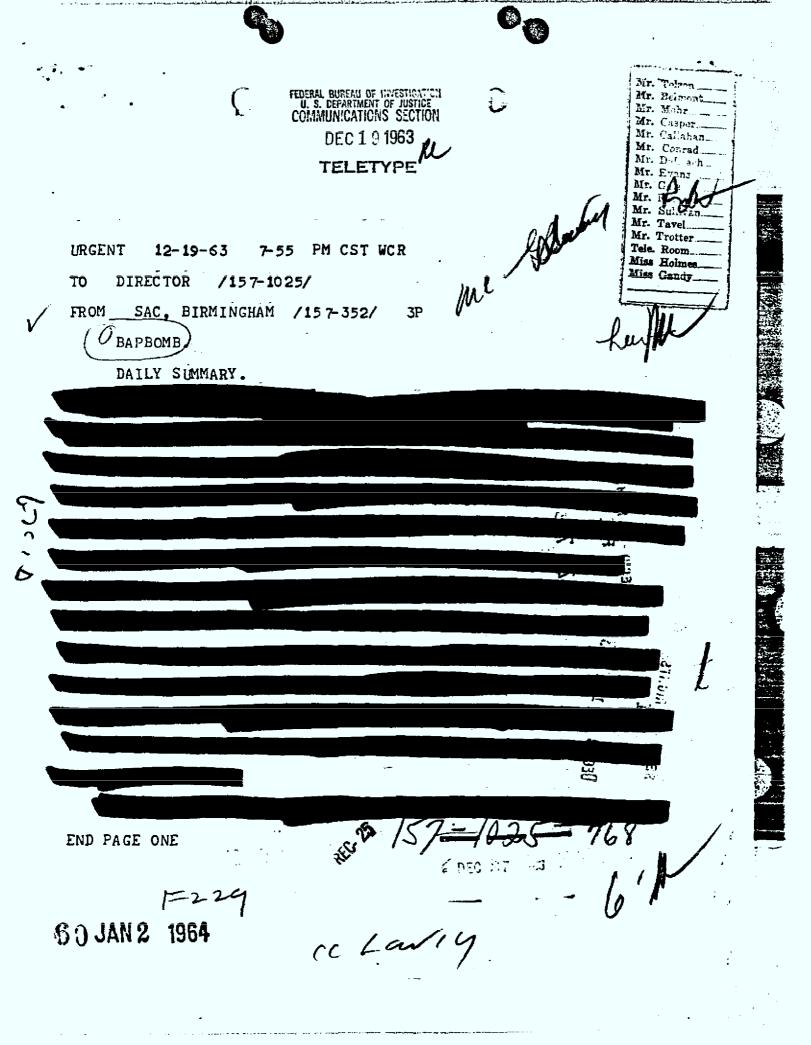
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It is noted that previous interviews with and his salesman. Were set out in FD-302s in report of SA dated 10/9/63. Mobile. An FD-302 of additional interview with n 11/18/63 was furnished to Birmingham by airtel dated 11/19/63.

In referenced report, it is set forth that

It is further noted that the information contained in the enclosed insert and the information previously submitted in FD-302s as referred to in above report, that was not at his lot at the time the 1958 Chevrolet was left there and the 1960 Chevrolet taken.

Notification to concerning the recovery of the 1960 Chevrolet is being reported separately in the case entitled aka; EFP; ITSMV



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December 26, 1963

1 - Mr. Belmont

- Mr. Rosen

1 - Mr. Malley 1 - Mr. McGowan

- Mr. Lavin

In connection with our investigation of the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church in Birmingham, a source that we have developed who is familiar with Klan activity has advised that feeling is strong against the appointment of Mr. Elijah Hill, a Negro, to the position of Deputy United States Marshal. Our source has indicated that he fears violence may occur since Mr. Hill's name and address were published in local newspapers in Birmingham.

We have advised the Chief of Police of the Birmingham Police Department, Jamie Moore, and Chief Deputy United States Marshal Dan Moore of the above information.

The above information was also telephonically furnished to Mr. David R. Owen of the Civil Rights Division of the Department on December 24, 1963.

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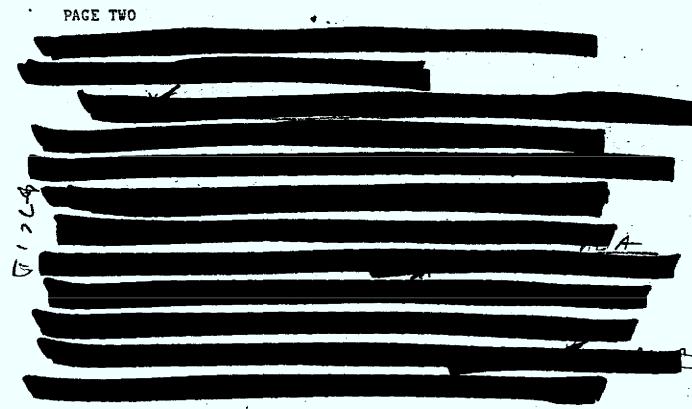
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Memorandum

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Mr. Belmont

DATE: December 24, 1963

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TO

A. Rosen

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Chief of Police Jamie Moore (NA), Birmingham

Chief of Police Jamie Moore (NA), Birmingham, Alabama, and Chief Deputy U. S. Marshal Dan Moore have been furnished the above information.

ACTION:

The Civil Rights Division of the Department has been advised and confirmation is being made in writing to Assistant Attorney General Burke Marshall.

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overlapping of investigative periods reported herein which has occurred prior to submission of the referenced report.

Daily contact has been maintained with

Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, and with

Birmingham Police

Department, both of whom are co-operative and vitally interested in the solution of this case.

Frequent contacts have been maintained with informants who have been furnishing reliable information regarding main suspects in this matter.

As has been reported previously, any information developed during the course of this investigation which has any bearing on the shrapnel bombing which occurred at Birmingham on the night of September 25, 1963, is being reported in this file in order to eliminate duplicate reporting.

An index for inclusion in this report will be furnished at a later date.

Almost daily spot surveillances have been conducted of the prime suspects either from their residences to their places of employment, if gainfully employed, or vice versa in order that the activities of those suspects might be known. There have been no instances noted in conducting such surveillances during the period of this report which would reflect any unusual activities on the part of such suspects.

An additional suspect, one been developed. This individual resides at

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a suburb of Birmingham, Alabama, continues to be employed at the and works regularly on the 7:00 a.m.

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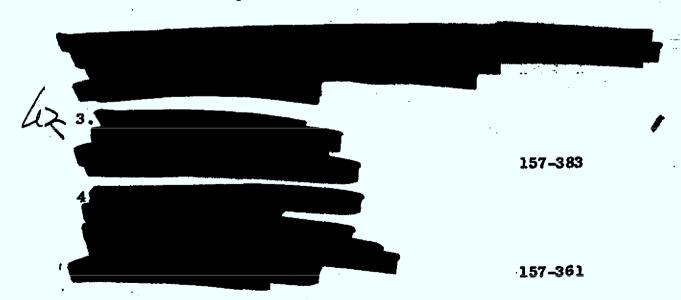
Suspect has recently been employed since December 3. 1963. at the

of Birmingham, with working hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. He is very conscious of any surveillances conducted on him and frequently resorts to tactics while driving to and from work in an effort to determine whether he is being followed.

As of the date of this report, investigative attention is being given to the following of suspects in this matter who are considered main suspects, either as to the instant bombing or to related bombings in the Birmingham area. For ready reference, their addresses and telephone numbers, if subscribed to, are set forth.

NAME RESIDENCE ADDRESS & TELEPHONE NO. BIRMINGHAM FILE NO.

1. ROBERT E. CHAMBLISS QL., Robert Rome Bob 2505 - 32nd Avenue, North, Branch hum Ala.
Residence Telephone No.323-5140 7 157-390



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On December 6, 1963, a conference was had by Special Agent in Charge, RAY L. FAISST, Assistant Special Agent in Charge ROBERT G. JENSEN, and Agents assigned to this matter with Jefferson County Sheriff's Office. At that time, advised that he was endeavoring to develop a new source of information regarding the CHAMBLISS group of suspects. Although did not at that time desire to reveal the identity of this new source of information, it is believed that the source may either be

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BOMBING OF THE SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, SEPTEMBER 15, 1963

Character

BOMBING MATTERS

Synopeise

Continued investigation of activities of suspects in this matter unproductive as to securing positive evidence implicating them in instant bombing or related ones in Birmingham area. Additional relatives and in-laws interviewed and unable to furnish information of value regarding main suspects. Further efforts to identify source of 1940 - 1942 HUDSON clutch plate used in "shrapnel" bomb unproductive. All officers, Birmingham Police Department, who had worked in area of instant bombing throughout evening prior thereto, and on morning of, interviewed without positive information being received.

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former and present Klan members in Birmingham and Tuscaloosa areas conducted without positive results. INVESTIGATION REFLECTS MANY MEMBERS OF KLAN AND SEGREGATION-TYPE GROUPS CARRY SOME TYPE OF WEAPON. ALL SUCH INDIVIDUALS ARE, THEREFORE, TO BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

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